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SUMMARY.

Dr. Frederick Albert Cook, a native of Brooklyn, has, it is claimed, reached the North Pole.

Dr. Cook secretly left the United States at the close of 1907 for Greenland, and was given up as lost in October last.

He has telegraphed to his wife from Lerwick, Shetland Islands, "Successful and well."

Roquimaux at Cape York confirm the truth of Dr. Cook's journey.

Great excitement and enthusiasm prevail at Copenhagen, where Dr. Cook is expected on Saturday.

It is stated at Lerwick that Dr. Cook had merely reached the North Magnetic Pole.

The International Labour Conference is now sitting in Paris.

Complaints were made that English workmen were seeking the exclusion of foreign workmen.

Budapesth, Hungary, was chosen as the meeting place of the next conference.

The Governor-General of Canada lost his way while hunting alone in the woods at Jarvis Inlet, British Columbia.

Earl Grey was bushed for five hours, and narrowly escaped falling down a precipice.

During firing practice the French cruiser Gloire, through an error in direction, fired six shells at the cruiser Marseillaise.

One shell pierced the hull, and exploded, but the damage was slight.

A fire which occurred in the Kherson district, South-western Russia, destroyed 450 buildings.

The damage is estimated at 1,000,000 roubles, and 8000 people have been rendered homeless.

The return match between the Australians and M.C.C. was abandoned on account of rain.

The home team, in its second innings, scored 207 for the loss of one wicket.

In Committee of Ways and Means in the House of Commons the Budget resolutions regarding licenses were submitted.

Mr. J. E. Redmond moved to exclude Ireland from the operation of the new licences.

Mr. Asquith said he was prepared to go some way towards meeting the case.

A truce has been declared between the British Football Association and the Players' Union, pending further negotiations.

Ten children were burned to death by the fire at St. Malachy's Home, Long Island, New York.

A special staff of detective inspectors has been appointed at the British Naval Dockyards to safeguard naval secrets.

A coffee-house keeper in Sedan has been arrested on a charge of espionage. He employed carrier-pigeons, which flew to Germany.

Lord de Clifford was killed on the spot by the upsetting of his motor car at Horsham.

The Parliamentary building of the State of Ontario has been partially destroyed by fire.

Professor David last night said he was unacquainted with Dr. Cook as an Arctic explorer.

When informed that he was reported to have discovered land in the extreme north the Professor said this was very improbable.

The men in the employ of the Commonwealth Portland Cement Company went on strike yesterday.

A Parliamentary party will leave Sydney to-night on a visit of inspection of the proposed Federal capital area.

In the House of Representatives the debate on the motion for the rectification of anomalies in the tariff was resumed.

Mr. Groom said that each anomaly would be dealt with according to its character.

The time for private business having elapsed, the debate was adjourned.

The steamer Waipara has been refloated, and is now in Moreton Bay.

The Lord Mayor of Sydney saw the Postmaster-General in reference to the exchange of the Queen Victoria Markets for the G.P.O.

Sir John Quick could not see his way to recommend the Government to negotiate for the purchase of the markets.

The captain of the steamer John Hardie, which has reached Fremantle from the Cape, did not see any sign of the Waratah.

No special lookout was maintained, however, as the captain was not aware that the Waratah was missing.

The Auditor-General in his report for the financial year ended June 30, 1909, refers to the steadily expanding revenue.

The State, he says, continues prosperous, despite the drop in the revenues returned by the Commonwealth.

Lord Chelmsford visited Junee yesterday, and was accorded a public welcome. His Excellency attended the local show.

The M'Myler hoist at Newcastle was put out of action by a breakdown yesterday morning.

The Chief Commissioner says the actual injury to the hoist is trifling, and will not entail much loss of time.

Mr. Kirkcaldie, one of the Railway Commissioners, underwent an operation for appendicitis. His condition is favourable.

The Broken Hill Proprietary's coke works at Bellambi will resume operations in a week or so.

The works were laid idle in January last through a disagreement with the wheelers.

The Millthorpe farmers have protested against the partial restriction against the importation of Tasmanian potatoes.

Stringent measures are recommended, with a view to preventing the importation of potatoes from all affected States.

The City Council's finance committee decided that Messrs. J. Howie and Sons should carry out the erection of No. 2 section of the new markets.

The matter has still to come before the council.

The collection of the Federal rolls has been started, and the rolls are expected to be complete at the end of the year.

So far no tenders have been received for the manufacture of telephones in Australia.

Mr. A. Verne, theatrical advance agent and manager, died in Perth on Wednesday from typhoid fever.

An accident, resulting in the death of a miner named Calaby, took place in the Berry United mine, Clunes, yesterday morning.

He was completely buried by a fall of earth, the drive being choked up.

Victoria's drink bill last year was £368,991 less than the previous year.

The coming season promises to be a prolific one in the Carcoar district. The crops are well forward, and stock are in excellent condition.

Several new provisions will be in force at the Queensland general elections next month.

The most important is that relating to absent voters, the postal ballot being brought into operation.

A man jumped overboard from the ferry steamer Kurraba between Milson's Point and Circular Quay yesterday afternoon.

One of the deck hands, named William Morelan, pluckily jumped over the rail and supported the man until both were rescued.

A miner named Daniel Lundie was shot while standing near a window inside his house at Major's Creek.

In the Assembly Mr. M'Farlane moved the adjournment to draw attention to the need for more bar-harbour dredges.

He said that in some of the northern rivers navigation had been blocked for several weeks at a time.

The Minister for Works said the plans of a new dredge were in hand.

The Minister for Lands moved the second reading of the Closer Settlement Amending Bill. The debate was adjourned.

With 48,491 sheep and lambs penned at Homebush yesterday the market was well supplied, and values were without material change.

There was a larger supply of cattle than on Monday last, and values fell about 20s per head below previous high rates.

The Mining market was very animated, especially in silver shares, values showing an upward tendency.

Weather Forecast.—Conditions unstable; scattered showers, and possibly some thunder; variable winds.

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MOERAKI, SAT., September 18.

TASMANIA.

FOR HOBART DIRECT—FALOONA, TUESDAY, September 14, at noon; 28.

From HOBART—FALOONA, MONDAY, September 6, 20.

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JOHN DRAPER, Mayor.
2nd September, 1909.

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ORDINANCE No. 15.

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FARM AND STATION.

MELBOURNE ROYAL SHOW.

The Melbourne Show this year exhibits an all-round improvement in its best features. The season has been favourable, and stud stockbreeders have been encouraged to bring out their young animals in first-class condition. There are fewer "tail ends" to the classes, and that general excellence which is much more desirable than very numerous entries, which often provide uneven quality. Throughout the sections the stock is good to the eye, and the enthusiast can safely enthuse in any part of the showgrounds, for he will not be discouraged by pessimistic onlookers. It is taken for granted that light horses are weak in the Melbourne Royal, and this causes the live stock section to open rather discouragingly. After thoroughbreds, however, come the great Clydesdales, for which Victoria is famous. Here the most admirable classes are the colts and fillies, and the lastnamed are the more interesting because they give promise of a fine lot of pedigree mares coming in for breeding. There was, as usual, some argument as to the strength of the draught horses in Melbourne, as against the section in Sydney, but there can be no doubt that while the section has improved very rapidly in Sydney, Melbourne, owing to the existence of a number of superior studs in Victoria, is still ahead in respect to the even strength of the classes. True modern Clydesdale type is well preserved in the Melbourne show, and while many old-fashioned judges may deplore the legginess and slight middles of the fashionably-bred young horses, there is evidence of breeding all through. Strangely enough the champion stallion was Vanquisher, which was champion in Sydney in 1908. The champion did not win as easily in Sydney as he did in Melbourne this week, which says something for the stallions shown in Sydney, but Vanquisher has filled out, and is a more solid horse than he was last year. Dunsmore Patriarch, a fine big horse, won the special for stallion imported from the old country.

It is complained that the Government does not assist the Royal Society in Victoria, but one of its gifts is a challenge cup, value 100 guineas for the best Australian bred draught stallion. The cup must be won three times by the same exhibitor, but a cash prize of 25 guineas is presented to the winner every time. This was won this year by an exceedingly handsome young stallion, Roy M'Gregor, bred from New Zealand stock. The two-year-old colts were a great lot, 26 having been entered, but in several other classes the entries were not numerous, and only a proportion of those entered came into the ring for judgment. Trotting horses were not very strong in numbers, and a very uneven lot of stallions was presented to the judge. The champion, Marven Wilkes, imported from America, stood right out. He is a big fellow, 16 hands, and has both conformation and quality. The Draper, this year's champion in Sydney, was unplaced in Melbourne. Mr. W. B. Veirs' Winnie V., a big roomy mare, was champion female. There were some fine ponies in the stallion classes, the best being of the thick-set, cobby Welsh type. What's Wanted, an imported cob, showing great action, won his third champion ribbon in Melbourne. Captain Philip Charley was represented by his imported Roman Warrior, which scored third in the 14 hands class, a steel grey named Rykmey, bred in Victoria, being second to What's Wanted. While the draughts were very fine, and the ponies good, horses generally in the Melbourne Royal made a small display as compared with the same section in the Sydney Royal in recent years.

The best displays in cattle were found in the beef shorthorns and Ayrshires. Comparisons were again being made between Sydney and Melbourne in connection with the shorthorns. Some Victorians believe that the show of the breed in Sydney is quite a poor affair as compared with that in Melbourne. As a matter of fact, the section is so well represented at each show that it is somewhat difficult to say which is the better. The Sydney show here, as in most other sections, is much larger than Melbourne, and therefore more imposing. In Melbourne, however, the bulls and dams over four years made a better display than was seen in Sydney, while the other classes were in quality about equal, and in numbers much smaller. The champion bull was a great Derrimut-bred by Mr. A. J. Webb, but owned and exhibited by Sir Rupert Clarke. The reserve champion bull was Mr. A. J. Simpson's white bull, which was champion in Sydney this year. Mr. Webb won the female championship with a wonderful cow, and the trustees of the late J. H. Angas won reserve with Rose of Connaught 35th. The South Australian Stud was strong in Herefords, which was a pretty good section this year, there being several exhibitors. Mr. W. H. Yelland was very successful with stock from Mr. Frank Reynolds's Tocal stud. He won champion cow with Tocal Lass.

There was a marked improvement in Ayrshire cattle at this show, some well-balanced classes coming before the judges. William M'Nab and Bros., who sold their Oakbank herd right out a few years ago to the late Sir John Hay, of Coolangatta, have been breeding up again, and were in once more with some very good stock. The get-up of the animals in this class was very fine. Everything was in excellent condition, and the last touch of experienced hands had put a beautiful polish on the pretty Scotch cattle. The M'Nabs began by winning with the cow in milk class, after a contest which lasted almost an hour, the three judges fighting out a great battle between their Bud of Oakbank and a cow imported by Mr. Andrew Buchanan. Oakbank won again in a great class of dry cows with Rarity II., by Glen Elgin's Bruce. Rarity was champion cow, but the reserve champion went to Mr. Buchanan's Howie's Stella, which was second to Bud of Oakbank, a decision which naturally caused some comment. It seemed that there was no rule directing that second prized animals should not come in for judging for champion, but this hardly explains a peculiar award. Messrs. Cumming and Brisbane, who have been very successful in recent years, won the male championship with last year's champion, Lessnessock I., and Mr. George L. Wilson won reserve champion with a stylish three-year-old of his own breeding.

The milking shorthorn section has increased considerably in numbers, and some very handsome bulls were exhibited. Much stronger shorthorn type is seen here than is observable in the New South Wales cattle, but the milking points are by no means so prominent as they are in the New South Wales stock. The bulls are too much disposed to the beef side of the question, and the cows to fleshy vessels to thoroughly please judges from the northern State. However, the breed is reasonably distinctive, though the line between these cattle and the beef strain is not so widely defined in Victoria as it is in New South Wales. Mr. A. S. Chirnside won champion with Hoyle Prince, bred from imported stock; while Mr. James Lidgett had the champion cow in Princess Rose. Almost all the winners were Stud Book cattle.

Entries were fair in Jerseys, and there was some great quality, with here and there a deficiency in character, which was the more noticeable because the best were very good. The only marked fault was a tendency to lightness and weak constitution, some of the most typical animals being very much on the small side. It is now pretty generally recognised that if Jerseys are to be kept at their best in Australia they must be bred and reared on country which will cause them to become heavier than the imported stock. Apparently the breed maintains its best characteristics in its native islands, and has no tendency to run light, but in Australia this tendency is so marked that it is necessary to place the cattle where it will be more than corrected by climatic influence. Mr. George Chirnside, whose herd is well known in New South Wales, was very successful in Melbourne. He still imports from the best herds, and this time his champion bull was imported. The bull Lord Twylish was bred in Jersey, and is a great example of the beautiful cattle of the island. The champion cow, Morocco's Pride II., was bred by Mr. Chirnside, and is by Brighton King (imp.) from Starlight IV. (imp.). Miss L. Robinson won reserve champion with a two-year-old bull of her own breeding. Another good exhibitor was Mr. W. Woodmasson, while Mr. Edis scored some minor prizes. Crossbred dairy cattle made a fair section, and a few Holsteins and Kerrys were shown.

Next to the horses and cattle sheep make a great show in the Melbourne Royal, there being a great representation of the British breeds. The period of the year is suitable, the production of lambs for the export and local trade being a big thing in Victoria. A great many sheepmen have established Lincoln, Leicester, and Downs studs. There were 456 entries in British breeds and a large number of fats. The western district breeder, Mr. A. E. Walter, who has exhibited in Sydney, won the Lincoln ram championship, and Mr. A. E. Mansell won the Shropshire championship and the prize for the best Shropshire sheep in the show. Farm produce is very weak at this show, and the district exhibits are insignificant as compared with those in Sydney and Brisbane. Dairy produce, on the other hand, is very good, bacon and hams being particularly strong. A principal feature is the display of manufactures. Machinery is extending every year, and the exhibitors of other manufactures have erected many fine stands on the ground. This year the society has enclosed a new piece of land, which it purchased, and already the machinery firms are extending over the area. Among the visitors from New South Wales were several judges in the cattle sections. Mr. G. W. Eaton and Mr. W. Wren were in Jerseys; Mr. J. W. Cole and Mr. J. Pritchard in milking Shorthorns. The weather was extremely inclement, and again the question of moving the show dates to a more genial period of the year cropped up. It seems that the dictates of the stallion season and the time for sheep and the sale of stud cattle all favour early September; but the society suffers severely through the inclemency of this month, which causes the city public to stay away from the show in large numbers. The Royal in Melbourne is a great all-round exhibition, and should be seen by half a million people at least, but always the weather prevents the ground from becoming as popular as it should be.

ITEMS.

Mr. Robert W. Dawson, inspector of stock for the pastures protection district of Bombala, has been appointed inspector of stock for the pastures protection district of Goulburn, vice Mr. Inspector R. Kirkpatrick, resigned.

ENGLISH WOOL TRADE.

HEALTHY INQUIRY FOR MERINOS.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BRADFORD, July 30.

Wool conditions this week do not manifest very much by way of radical change, but all the same there has been seen a healthy inquiry for merinos, the only "soft spot" being in low crossbreds. Taking things as a whole, there is more doing than what appears on the surface. The last 10 days a distinctly stronger feeling has come over the majority of holders of fine wool and crossbreds above 50's. Although everybody has made up their mind to seeing next season the biggest clip that Australia ever turned out, yet we cannot have any material quantity till December, consequently nobody is disposed to lower their prices or throw their stocks away. What I have never been able to understand is that some of our biggest importers have been sellers of their super 60's at 26d and 26½d, that being something which baffles all logical reasoning. It would have been easy to understand if fine merino wool had been bought either in Australia or London 5 to 10 per cent. cheaper, but I could see no wool in Coleman-street recently to produce a good top at 26d. The real reason for this is that topmakers have been able to lay their hands upon some cheap lots of Mazamet skin wools, and there is more of this stuff used in the production of merino tops than there should be.

WOOL STILL SELLING.

The inquiry noted last week for tops has continued, and the business done this week has been a fair one. I am certain the market is firmer, and all our topmakers are again quoting 2/2½ for supers, and 2/3 for 64's. Seldom do we see less than a penny difference between 60's and 64's, but at present anybody can buy within that figure. The reason is that 64's and 70's are more plentiful than supers, and there seems to be some big weights of yarns being turned out spun from super 60's. Wool is selling very freely; at least, some good quantities have changed hands since I last wrote, and the prices paid are on a level with Coleman-street. There is actually more raw material moving than one could expect, and the feeling is a growing one that before adequate supplies are available we shall see the customary autumn squeeze for fine wool. I rather fancy in this particular some are trying all they can to make the most of the situation, and it is certain that home fair quantities of stocks still exist, though our goods-yards and station warehouses are nothing like as full as they were two months ago. This is the movement of the raw material in a very satisfactory feature, and it shows that consumption must be well maintained. I am certain there has been as yet no slackening in the absorption of wool from 50's upwards, all our combers and spinners still being as busy as they can be. We have had a little about dry-combed tops being exported to Japan and France, but one or two firms are still sending out some fair quantities. In Bradford spinners are absorbing more of these tops than they did formerly. Lately we have not heard so much about French manufacturers obtaining better shades than Bradford manufacturers, and there is no doubt that yarns spun from dry-combed tops produce better results than when the tops have been combed in oil.

THE WEATHER AND TRADE.

This has been about the wettest summer we have ever had, and we are just entering upon August bank holiday, which really marks the beginning of the holiday season throughout Great Britain. In the ordinary course of things the English hay crop ought by this have been garnered, but I should say that not more than a third is as yet stacked and in barns. Our spring was very backward and cold, east winds blowing constantly. July has been incessantly wet, and this week we have had heavy rains every day but one. Complaints are almost chronic at the hands of shopkeepers, and drapers especially complain that the season has been poor. I am just afraid that this unprofitable time is going to tell against our next spring season both in men's and women's wear, as fabrics, for retailers have not sold anything like the quantity of summer goods which they should. We have not had a real hot day, not yet two successive days when it could be called brilliantly fine. If retailers have their shelves full of fabrics, they will never buy freely for next spring, and if this wet weather continues much longer it will mean a distinctly poor harvest. Only this very morning I had a letter from one of my farmer friends up in the dales of Yorkshire, and he said they only began cutting last week, and that "crops are very light compared with late years." Last year, when I came from the London sales at the end of July I saw Midland farmers actually cutting their corn; but as yet I have seen no wheat or oats that were even turning ripe, and all this is bound to tell upon the textile industry. However, August may prove to be a better month, and in all conscience we greatly need it. After all the foundation of good trade depends upon good harvests both at home and abroad, and what we need to-day is some of Australia's glorious sunshine and heat.

GOOD NEWS FROM AMERICA.

We all know what an important part America is playing in the course of wool markets, their competition in London especially during the past three months being largely responsible for the high prices ruling for fine crossbreds and good shafty light-conditioned merinos. Practically the eyes of the whole wool world are centred across the Atlantic, and every move is being surveyed like a cat watching a mouse. Many people this last month have been very dubious respecting the ability of American consumers to absorb all the wool that importers have bought, but the fact has been somewhat overlooked that most of the wools purchased at the May series of sales were on account of manufacturers, and not so much on account of importers. This makes all the difference between raw material being bought on speculation, or purchased by the consumer. American buyers that I spoke to a fortnight ago in London pooh-poohed the idea of their being inundated with all the raw material, all alike stating that they had simply bought while the wool was available, and that it would disappear between now and the end of the year. That is good news, and I have every reason for saying that after the holidays we shall again see American buying in Bradford of English new-clip wools. Only yesterday I was told by one of our best houses doing the American trade that already they had an increased inquiry from several quarters, and they had been reliably informed that they would still want large supplies of good downs, halfbreds, and wools of a medium to fine quality. Two days ago we had a very lively cable from Boston, which stated that "the wool market is very strong, and the demand heavy. Large orders have been placed for knit goods, and the heavier lines for the autumn. Yarn prices have advanced sharply, and there is a rush to place hosiery orders for spinning for spring delivery. Prices are steadily going up on linens, and manufacturers are busy with advanced orders." Then, again, from New York another states that "The iron market is strong; there is generally extension of trade, with a good outlook." It has always been an acknowledged fact in this country and abroad that if the iron and steel trades were good, it was not long before the textile industry followed, and the above cables contain the best news that we have had from across the Atlantic since the financial crisis of October, 1907.

ACTIVITY OF MOHAIR.

The last two months have witnessed very lively times in mohair, especially in Turkey. This article seems to have turned over a new leaf, and there has been a big rush to buy in Constantinople. Since the new clip hair came on to the market, something like 40,000 bags have been purchased almost entirely on Bradford account, this meaning that about three parts of the Turkey clip has now been purchased. The great demand is for fine hair, this being most wanted. One big Bradford firm of merchants has been largely responsible for this move, and it is generally thought that a fair amount of speculation has been indulged in. There is no doubt that mohair dress goods are more popular than they were, and while some think that prices have travelled up too fast, yet everybody is very firm and confident. Mohair spinners have plenty of orders on their books, but they will not admit to having such heavy weights that will absorb all the raw material which has been purchased. Cape mohair has not moved anything like Turkey, due entirely to it not having that spinning quality the former article possesses. At the same time, Cape kids have made very big figures, namely, 2/ per lb, and real good firsts have changed hands at up to 14d. To-day's prices are /16½ to /17½ for fair average Turkey. Boybazer—the finest hair—being worth /18½ to /19, Cape firsts being worth about /14, and Cape winter /10½. Consumption is better, and all are hoping that the present standing of the article will be maintained.

SKIN WOOLS.

The trade lately in skin wools has not been over brilliant, and we all know that at the recent series of London sales prices dropped a good penny per pound. This last two months in Bradford and district some very large quantities of Masemet skin wools have been on sale. It will be remembered that at Masemet there was a strike early this summer, which lasted fully three months, the result being a large accumulation of skin and faulty wools piled up ready for treating. Directly works got fully going the output was larger than usual, consequently there has been pressure to sell. The result is that prices dropped fully 1r to 1½d, and this has certainly affected Australian descriptions of a similar character. At the same time, I must say that both for Sydney and Adelaide pulled wools there is not that prejudice that there is against Mazemet pulled wools, simply because the former are not "doctored" as they are in the latter centre. There was the usual attendance of buyers this week in London, but competition is spoken of as somewhat lacking in animation. Messrs. Charles Balme and Co state that "the best grades of both merinos and fine crossbreds sold closely up to previous rates; other sorts, however, must be quoted 5 per cent. cheaper; while on coarse-woolled descriptions, both long and short, the decline amounted to 7½ per cent."

AN ECHO OF GOOD TRADE.

The condition of the wool-sorting branch of Bradford's trade always offers a reliable criterion respecting the actual position of the wool industry. Last Saturday the members of the National Union of Woolsorters held their half-yearly general meeting. The report and balance-sheet was described by the president as the most satisfactory in the union's history, and no better employment could have been made. It may not be known to the outside world, but amongst woolsorters there are two labour organisations whose headquarters are in Worstedopolis, namely, the Bradford Woolsorters' Society, with a membership of about 300, and which has been in existence over 70 years; and the National Union of Woolsorters, with a membership of 1400, which has only been established 20 years. The question has been considered before about amalgamation, and is again on the carpet. The dyeing industry in connection with our local trade is hardly as busy as it might be, and short time is being resorted to at several works.

SUBDIVISION AT COFF'S HARBOUR.

The Minister for Lands stated in the Legislative Assembly last evening that the survey of the proposed subdivision of part of Jarrett's special lease at Coff's Harbour had been completed, and the land would be offered at auction. The total area comprised 7 acres 1 rood 17½ perches, and would be offered in 29 lots, ranging from 37 perches to 1 rood 16½ perches.

FROZEN MEAT AND PERISHABLE PRODUCTS.

Several weeks ago a committee was appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to draft recommendations for the improvement of existing methods and facilities for handling and preparing frozen meat for export. It furnished a report, which was published in these columns at the time, and the chamber has received and adopted the recommendations. Since then a perishable foods sectional committee, consisting of Messrs. Alban Geo (Sydney Meat Preserving Co.), F. H. Wiltshire (Pastoral Finance Association), Satisfactory feature, and it shows that consumption must be well maintained. I am certain there has been as yet no slackening in the absorption of wool from 50's upwards, all our combers and spinners still being as busy as they can be. We have had a little about dry-combed tops being exported to Japan and France, but one or two firms are still sending out some fair quantities. In Bradford spinners are absorbing more of these tops than they did formerly. Lately we have not heard so much about French manufacturers obtaining better shades than Bradford manufacturers, and there is no doubt that yarns spun from dry-combed tops produce better results than when the tops have been combed in oil.

THE WEATHER AND TRADE.

This has been about the wettest summer we have ever had, and we are just entering upon August bank holiday, which really marks the beginning of the holiday season throughout Great Britain. In the ordinary course of things the English hay crop ought by this have been garnered, but I should say that not more than a third is as yet stacked and in barns. Our spring was very backward and cold, east winds blowing constantly. July has been incessantly wet, and this week we have had heavy rains every day but one. Complaints are almost chronic at the hands of shopkeepers, and drapers especially complain that the season has been poor. I am just afraid that this unprofitable time is going to tell against our next spring season both in men's and women's wear, as fabrics, for retailers have not sold anything like the quantity of summer goods which they should. We have not had a real hot day, not yet two successive days when it could be called brilliantly fine. If retailers have their shelves full of fabrics, they will never buy freely for next spring, and if this wet weather continues much longer it will mean a distinctly poor harvest. Only this very morning I had a letter from one of my farmer friends up in the dales of Yorkshire, and he said they only began cutting last week, and that "crops are very light compared with late years." Last year, when I came from the London sales at the end of July I saw Midland farmers actually cutting their corn; but as yet I have seen no wheat or oats that were even turning ripe, and all this is bound to tell upon the textile industry. However, August may prove to be a better month, and in all conscience we greatly need it. After all the fo

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LAW REPORT.

BANCO COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Sly and a jury of four.)

ALLEGED WRONGFUL SEIZURE OF GOODS.

Turner v N.S.W. Mont de Piete Deposit and Investment Company, Limited.

Mr. Bignold and Mr. Pitt, instructed by Mr. H. E. M'Intosh, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. D. G. Ferguson, instructed by Messrs. Dawson, Waldron, and Glover, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Charles Edward Sutton Turner against the New South Wales Mont de Piete Deposit and Investment Company, Limited, to recover compensation for alleged wrongful seizure and detention by the defendant company of certain goods, consisting of two cases containing books, papers, memoranda, and other matter used by the plaintiff in connection with the publication of the "Australian Directory of Manufactures." The facts alleged by the plaintiff, and upon which he based his cause of action, have already been stated.

The defendants had filed a number of pleas, but their main defence was that plaintiff having failed to keep his payments up as agreed upon they seized under their bill of sale, as they were entitled to do.

Mr. Ferguson concluded his address to the jury.

His Honor summed up, and said that the defendants had not called evidence, and therefore they took whatever risk was attendant upon that course. The jury must be guided by the evidence as it stood. There was no doubt that the bill of sale contained a drag-net clause, but it seemed to him that it did not cover the books, papers, etc., in regard to which the plaintiff sued; therefore, if they found that these things were useful and necessary to him in his business, and defendants had no right to seize them, the next consideration was whether plaintiff had been damaged in his business in connection with the publication of the "Australian Directory of Manufactures." As to the sum of £7 8s 9d, which was admitted to be due, he directed them to find for the plaintiff in regard to that amount, which was sued for under the common money count; and as to the seizure and detention of the books, papers, etc., if they found that plaintiff had suffered loss they would give him such reasonable damages as they might think he was entitled to recover.

The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for £57 8s 9d, being £50 on the first and second counts of plaintiff's declaration, and £7 8s 9d on the common money count. They also specifically found, in answer to his Honor's questions:—(1) That defendants, by their conduct and correspondence, led the plaintiff to believe that the property not sold was the property of the plaintiff; (2) the defendants waived the necessity of a formal discharge of the bill of sale.

ACTION AGAINST A STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Mansergh v Port Jackson and Manly S.S. Company, Limited.

Mr. Gannon, Mr. Broomfield, and Mr. Clive Teece, instructed by Messrs. John M'Laughlin and Son, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Shand, K.C., and Mr. Lamb, instructed by Messrs. Mark Mitchell and Forsyth, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Clara Mansergh, of Windsor-street, Lewisham, against the Port Jackson and Manly S.S. Company, Limited, to recover compensation for personal injuries sustained by her, owing, as she alleged, to the negligence of the defendants' servants in the management of a plank on board one of their steamers. Plaintiff's case was that she was a dressmaker, and up to the time of the accident she was earning from £12 to £20 per month. On March 7 last, in company with a Miss Ethel Morgan, she left Sydney by the steamer Brighton about 7 p.m., in order to visit some friends at Manly. Upon the arrival of the steamer at Manly a plank was put from the top deck of the vessel to the wharf, and 100 or 150 passengers had disembarked before plaintiff started for the wharf. As she passed over the plank, the end which was resting on the steamer slipped, and plaintiff fell into the water. In descending she struck either the bulwarks of the boat or a portion of the wharf, and her right knee was afterwards found to be severely injured. She was first taken to the home of her friends at Manly in great pain, and suffering also from nervous shock, and afterwards she was removed to St. Aubyn's Hospital, Manly, where she remained for three or four weeks, under the care of Dr. Bennetts and other medical men. At present she was still lame, and likely to remain so, and was quite unable to work the sewing machine, which it was necessary to use in the course of her business. Besides incurring heavy expenses for medical attendance and nursing, she lost during the accident her umbrella, bag, purse, some trinkets, and a bracelet, and her clothing was so damaged as to become valueless. It was also stated that, according to medical opinion, an operation would be necessary to restore plaintiff's damaged knee to its original sound condition. Damages were laid at £2000.

Defendants pleaded not guilty.

The case stands part heard.

NO. 1 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Cohen without a jury.)

ACTION FOR EJECTMENT.

Kelly v Gidley.

Mr. Bradbury, instructed by Mr. A. C. Gillies (agent for Messrs. Russell and Son, of Wollongong), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Flannery and Mr. F. Coen, instructed by Mr. B. A. M'Bride (agent for Mr. A. A. Lysaght, of Wollongong), for the defendant. This was an action of ejectment brought by Mary Ann Kelly against Walter Tanz Gidley to recover possession of four allotments of land at Wollongong, to which she claimed to be entitled. Defendant was sued in his capacity of trustee only.

At the close of the plaintiff's case Mr. Flannery moved for a nonsuit on the grounds:—1, That as the right to bring an action of ejectment depended upon the legal estate, and as the legal estate was vested in the trustees and not in the plaintiff, she could not recover; 2, that even if it could be successfully contended that the legal estate was not in the trustees, it was not in the plaintiff, but in her husband, who was not a party to the suit.

His Honor granted a nonsuit on the first ground.

TROUBLE BETWEEN MINERS.
ACTION FOR ALLEGED LIBEL.

Gray v Morgan.

Mr. L. Armstrong and Mr. F. Coen, instructed by Mr. A. A. Lysaght, of Wollongong (by his agent, Mr. B. A. M'Bride), appeared for the plaintiff. The defendant appeared in person. This was an action brought by Andrew Bray against Thomas Richard Morgan to recover compensation for a false and malicious libel, which plaintiff alleged that the defendant had published concerning him. His case was that he was the general secretary of the Illawarra Colliery Employees' Association, and about, or shortly prior to his appointment defendant wrote to one Thomas Ettridge, asking for information about the plaintiff's character. He received a reply containing statements which plaintiff said imputed to him that he was a dishonest man, and had practically robbed Ettridge; that he had acted as a "scab" during the big Broken Hill strike, and that he had misled and deceived the miners of Broken Hill with regard to a certain colliery. Plaintiff averred further that defendant had circulated the contents of the letter referred to among the miners connected with the association, the result being that his (plaintiff's) character, credit, and reputation were injured; he had also been deprived of the confidence and respect of a number of miners, and had been subjected to insult by miners of the district of Illawarra, to whom the defamatory matter had been published. Plaintiff, in the course of his evidence, said that he was elected general secretary of the association in opposition to the defendant, and neither before nor after that event was anything charged against him until the contents of Ettridge's letter were circulated by the defendant. In the course of the case a letter written by the defendant in answer to one from plaintiff, was produced, in which defendant said that plaintiff "would have ample opportunity for reflection on or before January 14, 1909," and ending, "yours in sympathy," etc. Plaintiff also gave evidence denying the allegations contained in Ettridge's letter, and explaining the nature of the transaction with him. Damages were laid at £1000.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.

The case stands part heard.

NO. 2 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Pring and a jury.)

CLAIM FOR £2865.

Dalgety and Co., Ltd., v M'Donald and Co.

Mr. Campbell and Mr. H. Stephen, instructed by Messrs. Minter, Simpson, and Co., appeared for the plaintiffs, Dalgety and Co., Ltd.; Mr. Ralston, K.C., and Mr. Garland, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson, appeared for the defendants, Henry Edwin M'Donald and Jane Elizabeth Mary Miller, trading as H. E. M'Donald and Co., traders in skins, hides, and other goods.

Details of the claim have been published.

His Honor ruled that the second and third pleas of the defendants had not been made out, and he declined to receive evidence as to damage subsequent to January last.

The jury, by direction, returned a verdict for plaintiff for £1650 14s 1d.

Mr. Ralston applied for a stay of execution, and this was granted on condition that the defendants paid £1800 into court on or before Monday, 20th instant.

ROBERTS v CLARK AND CO.

Mr. Morris, instructed by Messrs. Beeby and Moffatt, appeared for the plaintiff, Robert Roberts, senior; Mr. Monahan, instructed by Mr. G. Crichton Smith, appeared for the defendants, Robert Ingham Clark and Co. (Australasia), Limited.

In placing the case before the jury, Mr. Morris said the issue to be tried was whether certain goods which had been seized by the defendant belonged to the plaintiff or not. Plaintiff, who was 70 years of age, had many years carried on business as a printer and publisher. Of recent years he put two of his sons into the bookbinding portion of his business, and two other sons into the printing branch, and paid them the union rate of wages. Three or four months ago Clark and Co., the present defendants, initiated proceedings in Equity against the two sons in the printing business; execution was issued against them, and certain goods were seized. The jury was asked to say that the goods in question belonged to the plaintiff in the present action, and not to his sons.

The case stands part heard.

DIVORCE COURT.

(Before the Acting Chief Justice.)

HIP CHONG v HIP CHONG.

In the suit of Rachael Hip Chong for the dissolution of her marriage with Hip Chong, a Chinese storekeeper, Mr. Davidson, counsel for petitioner, further addressed the Court on the question of domicile.

A decree nisi was granted.

O'NEIL v O'NEIL (YOUNG CO-RESPONDENT).

Mr. Hodgson, instructed by Messrs. Beeby and Moffatt, appeared in support of the petition of Daniel O'Neil, for the dissolution of his marriage with Sarah O'Neil, on the ground of adultery with Thomas Young, a rabbiter, who was joined as co-respondent.

Petitioner said he was married to the respondent at Rockley in February, 1889. In 1900 he left his wife at Burraga while he went to Wyalong to work as a miner, and while at Wyalong he received a letter from his wife to the effect that she was going away, and did not wish to see him again. In 1902 he saw her and Young together at Blayney, but did not speak to them.

His Honor found the issues proved, but intimated he wished to further consider the point as to whether petitioner had not disentitled himself to the relief sought.

PHILLIPS v PHILLIPS.

Mr. Boyce, instructed by Messrs. M'Lachlan and Murray, appeared in support of the petition of Eleanor Mary Phillips (formerly Goodsir) for the dissolution of her marriage with Alfred John Phillips, land and estate agent, on the ground of adultery.

Petitioner said the marriage was celebrated at Yass in December, 1892. At the time respondent was a bank manager. In 1906 she went to Melbourne, and on returning, after an absence of ten months, she taxed her husband with certain irregularities. He admitted that he was the father of a child by another woman, and that he had been registered as the father.

A decree nisi was granted, respondent to pay costs.

M'NEILL v M'NEILL.

Mr. R. Fraser appeared in support of the petition of Miriam M'Neill (formerly Smith) for the dissolution of her marriage with George M'Neill on the ground of desertion. Petitioner said she was married at Newcastle in June, 1895. Respondent was a bootmaker. He left his wife from time to time, and in 1904 he thrust her out of the house at midnight. Since then he had not supported her.

A decree nisi was granted.

MATTHEW v MATTHEW.

Mr. Watt, instructed by Messrs. Buchanan and Smithers, appeared in support of the petition of Emily Ellen Matthew for the dissolution of her marriage with James Matthew, a dentist, on the ground of constructive desertion. Petitioner said the marriage took place at Paddington in November, 1901, and for two or three months they lived happily together. She then discovered that her husband was in the habit of injecting cocaine and morphia under his skin. The habit became more and more pronounced, and had such an effect upon him that his manner became strange, and frequently she feared that he would do her serious injury. At times she was left without the barest necessaries of life, and was dependent upon neighbours for food. She finally separated from her husband in September, 1904.

Decree nisi granted, respondent to pay costs.

PROBATE COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

A MISSING WILL.

McCauley v McCauley.

The suit is still unfinished.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar.)

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re Ernest Barclay. Adjourned till the 9th instant.

Re Alfred Tacpo. Single meeting closed, and public examination concluded.

Re Jacob Samuel Stenning. Bankrupt examined by official assignee. Adjourned till the 9th instant.

Re Harry Lawson. Single meeting closed, and public examination concluded.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Re Frank Miles. Adjourned till the 9th instant.

EXAMINATION UNDER SECTION 30.

Re John Arthur Willian Endean. Adjourned till the 16th instant.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

(Before Judge Heydon.)

CLOTHING (TAILORING) AWARD.

Further evidence was taken on behalf of the master tailors. The case stands part heard.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

(Before Mr. Acting Justice Backhouse and a jury.)

Mr. Hugh Pollock, Crown Prosecutor.

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER.

James Granville Robertson, who was defended by Mr. Gannon (instructed by Mr. Carter Smith), pleaded not guilty to a charge of wounding Ernest Samuel Barter, with intent to murder him, at Sydney, on May 21 last.

It appeared that there had been dealings between the prosecutor (who is an indent agent) and accused, and the latter bought a farm from Barter about 10 miles from Murwillumbah, in the North Coast district. Accused thought the farm was not up to representations, and prosecutor, in his evidence, said he went to see accused at the farm on May 17. Witness's brother was with him at the time, and as they approached the house they saw accused on the verandah with a gun. Accused ordered prosecutor to stop, or he would shoot, and prosecutor and his brother stopped. Accused then asked where his revolver was, and prosecutor said, "Down the leg of my trousers." He stooped down to get it, when the revolver dropped out. Prosecutor was then ordered to go 30 paces to the rear. He went, and accused, still keeping him covered with the gun, came down and picked up the revolver. Prosecutor stated that he had been previously warned that accused had threatened to shoot him, and had as a precaution taken the revolver from a drawer in the house. It was arranged that the two should meet in Sydney, where accused's uncle resided, and on May 21 Robertson went to Barter's office at No. 9 Hunter-street. Accused complained that the land would not carry a beast to the acre, and also said to Barter, "I would not like to be you to-day." Barter asked why, and accused, after a little while said, "Give me a cheque." Barter refused to do so until he had seen accused's uncle, and there was some conversation about damage done to a sulky. Barter, after this, was closing his desk, and, turning round, saw Robertson standing behind him with a revolver in his hand. He said, "You are a dead man." Barter rushed accused, but before they got to grips three shots were fired. Prosecutor "dodged" the first two, but the third struck him just below the cheekbone, the bullet going into the mouth, knocking out a tooth and emerging from the lips. Prosecutor got hold of accused by the wrist, twisted it, and a fourth shot was fired, without doing any harm. The struggle continued for some time longer, and prosecutor asked accused to put down the revolver but accused answered, "No; you will die, you will die, you will die." Eventually accused asked Barter to let go, and said he would put down the revolver. The revolver was then put on the table, and prosecutor picked it up and put it in his coat pocket. Accused was arrested in the office, and the constable said, "What did you shoot him for?" Accused said, "He did me for £500." On the way to the station accused told the constable he did not know how he had missed prosecutor, as he was a good shot.

Accused gave evidence, and said that after the conversation at the farm Barter agreed to give him £20, and he came down to Sydney to get it. When he got into the office Barter started arguing the matter over again, and refused to give £20, but offered £17, as accused had damaged his sulky. "Then, just to frighten him," said accused, "I pulled out the revolver and said, 'Give me the £20.' Like a fool he rushed at me, and the revolver went off. Before he rushed me he called me a liar over some little transaction we had had previously, and I called him a something thief. In the struggling he got me round the arms, and the revolver went off accidentally. I don't remember whether I told the police anything."

Was any shot directed towards his body by you? asked Mr. Gannon. "No," replied the accused, and continued, "After that I said, 'Here's the revolver; take it, for God's sake,' and gave it to him." Accused also said he had lived for several years in India, and always carried a revolver.

The jury found the accused not guilty.

Robertson was then charged with wounding Barter with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and pleaded not guilty. The hearing of the charge was allowed to stand over to a future day. Mr. Carter Smith appeared for the accused.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Murray and juries.)

A MARRIAGE SHOP WEDDING.

Frank Kanzler pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy. He was defended by Mr. E. R. Abigail, who explained that the first marriage was celebrated in a marriage shop in Sydney, accused being drunk at the time. A day or two later the wife told accused that he had no claim on her, and that she was not married to him. They then parted, and Kanzler, who concluded that he was not married, went away, and some time afterwards married another woman. Four children were born of this marriage. The police gave accused a good character.

His Honor, in passing sentence, said: As to these marriage shops, where people are married at so much a head, I will not say anything. Plenty has been said about them by the Supreme Court Judges, and if I added anything I should speak strongly—so strongly in fact that my language would be too strong for a court.

Accused was bound over to appear for sentence when called upon to do so.

ACQUITTED.

Stephen Callaghan pleaded not guilty to a charge of having, at Sydney, on June 30 last, stolen 20 yards of flannelette, the property of Matilda Aarons.

He was acquitted by the jury.

SENTENCES.

Charles Barnard and William Barnett, who had been convicted of burglary, were called up, and Barnard was sentenced to five years' penal servitude and declared an habitual criminal, and Barnett was ordered to serve seven years' penal servitude. Both prisoners had been previously convicted several times.

LAW NOTICES.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.

SUPREME COURT.

Cause Lists.—Banco Court, St. James's-road: Mansergh v Port Jackson and Manly S.S. Company, Limited (part heard).

Notice to Jurors.—The jurors in attendance at Banco Court, except those engaged in the part-heard case and who were instructed by the Judge to look in this morning's papers as to attendance, will not be further required. The jurors engaged in the part-heard case are requested to attend at 10 a.m.

No. 1 Causes, in No. 4 Court, King-street.—At 10 a.m.: Gray v Morgan, (part heard). At 11.30 a.m.: Goodlet v the Minister.

Notice to Jurors.—The jurors in attendance at No. 1 Causes, and who were instructed by the Judge to look in this morning's papers as to attendance, are requested to attend in No. 4 Court at 11.30 a.m. The jurors engaged in the part-heard case are requested to attend at 10 a.m.

No. 2 Causes, in No. 3 Court, King-street.—Roberts v Robert Ingham Clark and Co. (Australasia), Limited (part heard); Melick and another v Bergar.

Notice to Jurors.—The jurors in attendance at No. 2 Causes, except those engaged in the part-heard case, will not be further required. The jurors engaged in the part-heard case are requested to attend at 10 a.m.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Chief Clerk: Beguley v Haguley, Holland co-respondent, 10.15 a.m.; same v same, 10.30 a.m.; Ray v Davis (High Court), 10.30 a.m.

Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: Ex parte Broughton, re Fielding, for judgment; M'Pherson v Bourke, special case.

In Equity.—Before the Chief Judge in Equity, at 10 a.m.:—Motions generally: In the estate of Francis O'Brien, to pass accounts and for commission; Evans v Forsyth, part heard; Gill v Gill, part heard; re E. Crump and Conveyancing Act, petition for sale; Schofield v Lees, part heard; re A. G. de Laurel, R. P. application, special case; Permanent Trustee Company v Fahey, originating summons; re Ellen Gordon, deceased, summons for appointment of guardian and for maintenance; Hewitt v Sewell, motion for appointment of receiver; Murray v Pye, motion to dismiss suit; Hordern v Hordern, motion for revivor.

Before Mr. Justice Street, at 10 a.m., No. 2 Jury Court: Booth v Williams (Dee Wye case), for judgment.

Before the Master in Equity.—At 12 noon: Witcombe v Jacob, to settle minutes of decree. 12.15 p.m.: Ferris v Loftus, to approve of order for payment out. 12.30 p.m.: Smith v Smith, directions as to sale. 2 p.m.: Davies v Thompson, to settle minutes of decree. 2.15 p.m.: Martin v Martin, to settle minutes of order. 2.30 p.m.: Corbett v Williams, to settle minutes of decree. 2.45 p.m.: Hoopper v Frei, to settle minutes of decree. 3 p.m.: Re A. Bowers and 21 Vic., No. 7, to approve of order for payment out.

Before the Deputy Registrar.—11 a.m.: O'Mara v O'Mara, to tax costs. 2.15 p.m.: Attorney-General v Haigh, to tax costs.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before his Honor the Probate Judge, in No. 3 Jury Court, at 11.45 a.m.—Probate suit: M'Auley v M'Auley (part heard). The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—Llewellyn Spooner, 10.15; William Northfield, 10.30; Mary Ann O'Brien, 11.30; George Currie, 12; William Wenham, 12.30.

In Divorce.—Before the Judge in Divorce, in No. 1 Jury Court, at 10.—For judgment: Farrell v Farrell, and hearing of causes.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar, at 10 a.m.—Creditors' petitions: Charles Percy Fleetwood v H. G. Waugh, James Brown Wright v George Gowan. Motion for order to rescind order releasing estate: John Milne Curran. Confirmation of accounts and plans; audit of accounts and plans.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

Probate Court, Queen's Square.—Before his Honor Judge Heydon, at 10 a.m.—For hearing: Re Clothing (Tailoring) Award; Quarry Employees' Association and others (part heard).

Industrial Registrar's Office, Queen's Square.—Before the Industrial Registrar, at 10 a.m.—For hearing: Re Clothing (Tailoring) Award; Applications under clause 10, by A. M'Donald, Carlisle and Ford, Gurney and Co., Callaghan Bros., David Grant and Co., Magee and Co.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray, at 10 a.m.—Examination of bankrupts: Stevens (in Chambers, in No. 2 Court):—Bonner v Struthers, the Great North West de Piete Deposit and Investment Company, Limited, v Tait and another, Tillock and others v M'Grath, Irvine v Means, Brown v Edwards, Bonner v Barnett, Premier Finance Company, Limited, v Medicos Syndicate (in No. 1 Court).—Bolger v Brown, David Jones, Limited, v Morgan, Herman v Charnley, David Jones, Limited, v Bennett, Rolfe v Frain, Abel v Abel, Tobin v Lynch.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

Annie Sullivan, manslaughter.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

Appeals against convictions and orders of magistrates will be heard as follows:—

September 7.—Ah Took, having opium in his possession; Edgar Hill, stealing; John O'Brien, breach Vagrancy Amendment Act; Mary Drew, aiding and abetting; Percy Bastard, Herbert Vindeu Selby, assaulting a constable; Arthur M'Kew, inciting prisoner to resist; Annie Burke, assaulting a constable.

September 8.—Edwin Tatham, breach traffic regulations; William Joseph M'Carthy, assault; Arthur William Read, breach Navigation Act; Eva Davidson and Grace Dye, stealing.

September 9.—Ida May Elliott, dismissed of complaint; Bridget Aiken, dismissed of complaint; William Henry Burg, Infant Protection Act; Richard Alfred Gough, importing opium.

September 10.—John Robert Tayer, breach Local Government Ordinance; Reginald Tuttett, breach railway regulations; Dorris Jolliffe, clandestinely removing furniture.

September 13.—Timothy Bunner, breach traffic regulations; Gertrude Alice Ryan, dismissed of complaint; Robert Handcock, larceny; Colin Clyde Black, maintenance.

September 14.—Henry Lincoln, maintenance; John Henry Mattson, maintenance; Lewis M'Cabe, order for costs; Frank Thompson, assault; Joseph Cousins Glenson, Infant Protection Act.

September 15.—The Attorney-General, appointment of Licensing Court; Ernest Reed, assault; Frank Flaherty, assault; David Annan, importing opium.

September 16.—Archibald William James, Infant Protection Act.

FORTUNE-TELLING.

THE GLEBE CASE.

The case against Ethel Blogg, or Madame Pow, of having unlawfully pretended to William Henry Chapman, a constable of police, to tell his fortune by palmistry, and to have communication with the spirits, was concluded yesterday at the Glebe Police Court, before Mr. Barnett, S.M. The defendant had been remanded from Tuesday in order to give Mr. Barnett time to consider an application under the First Offenders Act. Mr. Simpson now appeared in support of the application for the provisions of the First Offenders Act to be extended in this case. He assumed the Court that the client was in a delicate state of health, and produced a medical certificate to that effect, and further that the honestly believed that she had stated.

Mr. Barnett said it was most apparent to him that she had committed perjury in the box, but whether the Crown would proceed against her was a matter over which he had no control. Had the Act given him an opportunity of passing a heavy fine he certainly would have taken that course, but in view of the fact that the woman was in delicate health, and as this was her first appearance in court, he would allow her the benefit of the First Offenders Act on condition that she found sureties in the sums of £50 and £25 to be of good behaviour for 12 months. These were forthcoming, and the defendant was released.

METROPOLITAN LICENSING COURT.

PUBLICANS' LICENSES TRANSFERRED.

The Licensing Bench at the Central Police Court yesterday granted the following applications for the transfer of hotel licenses:—Lord Nelson Hotel, Kent and Argyle streets, Thomas J. Finnan to Michael Schanz; Imperial Hotel, Oxford-street, Paddington, James Denis Blow to James Epstein; Green Park Hotel, Liverpool-street, Thomas Buckley to Theresa Catherine Beidricken; Central Court House Hotel, George and Liverpool streets, executors of the estate of the late John Dennison to John Thomas Dennison; Cowper Wharf Hotel, Forbes-street, Mary Attfield to Robert Shaw.

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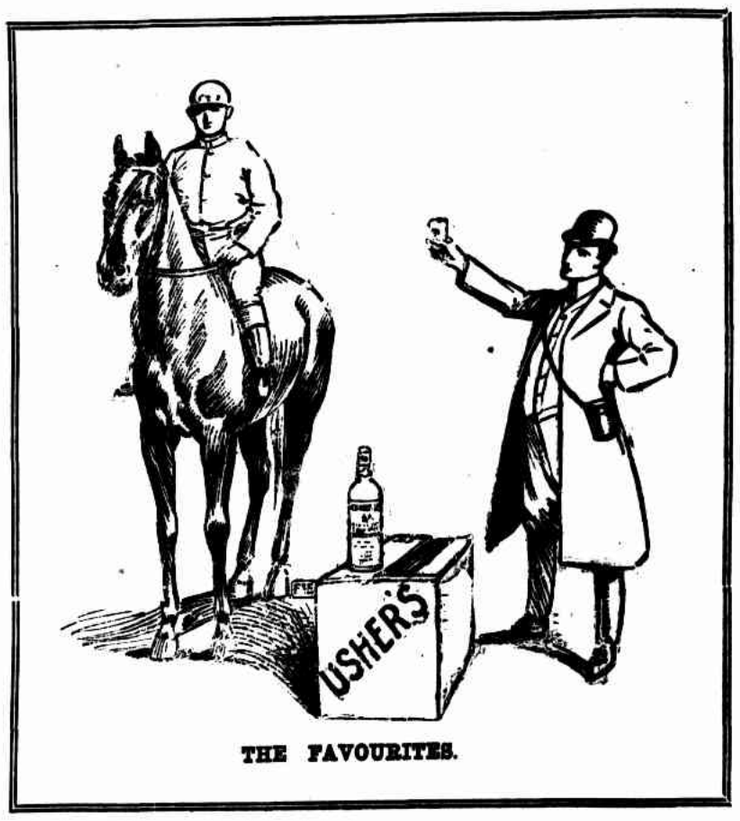

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For Chronic Chest Complaints, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1/6.—Advt.

"Our Storm-Torn Coast" is the title given to the front page of the current issue of the "Sydney Mail." There is also a splendid double page picture entitled "A Station Scene on the Lachlan, New South Wales."—Advt.

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DEATHS.

CARDWELL.—September 1, 1909, at her late residence, 28 Albion-street, Annandale, Kate, widow of the late John Cardwell, and dearly loved mother of John, William, and Elsie Cardwell, and Emma Keating, aged 69 years. R.I.P.

COLERAINE.—September 2, 1909, at the Home of Peace, Addison-road, Marrickville, Miss Jane, many years with W. C. Eldridge and Co., York-street, Sydney, aged 66 years.

HART.—September 2, at Balmain Cottage Hospital, Mary Helen, beloved wife of Henry Hart, Drummoyne. Tasmanian papers please copy.

KITCHEN.—September 2, 1909, at Braeside Private Hospital, Stanmore, Louisa Spain, the beloved wife of Arthur Kitchen, of 66 Gowrie-street, Newtown, aged 69 years.

PATTERSON.—September 1, 1909, at her residence, 110 Kent-street, Sydney, Agnes Patterson, aged 68 years. At rest.

SINCLAIR.—September 1, at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, James McKenzie Sinclair, aged 47 years, beloved husband of Amelia Ann Sinclair, of National-street, Leichhardt.

SMITH.—September 1, at Falconer-street, Ryde, R. R. G. Smith, third son of the late Rev. Edward Smith, aged 54 years.

WARNFORD-LOCK.—July 30, at Bandarawella, Ceylon, after eight weeks' severe illness, Charles George Warnford-Lock, M.Inst.M.M., F.G.S., aged 56 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

BENJAMIN.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Sarah Benjamin, who departed this life September 3, 1907. Inserted by her loving son, Lisly Schwarz.

CARTER.—In loving memory of Ernest, dearly loved son and brother, who passed away September 3, 1907. Here the Cross—but there the Crown of joy. Inserted by his loving father and mother, brother and sister.

FLETCHER.—In sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Elizabeth Isabella (Lizzie), who departed this life on September 2, 1908. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her dear husband, Thomas Asleep in Jesus.

FLETCHER.—In ever-loving memory of my darling mother, Elizabeth (Lizzie), who departed this life on September 3, 1908. Inserted by her ever-sorrowing son, Thomas J. At rest. Home papers please copy.

FRANKLIN.—In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Elizabeth Lily (Dolly) Franklin, who departed this life September 3, 1908, aged 23 years. Inserted by her father, mother, brothers, and sisters. Her sun went down while it yet was day.

FRANKLIN.—To the memory of Dolly, who passed away September 3, 1908, aged 23 years. Inserted by her friend, W. F. May Memory's sweetest links but serve to bind us to thoughts of happy days we leave behind us.

FRANKLIN.—In affectionate remembrance of Elizabeth Lily (Dolly) Franklin, who departed this life September 3, 1908. No flower can fall too soon, it ripe for Glory; early plucked is early bliss. Inserted by A.H.L.

GALLAGHER.—In loving memory of our darling little daughter and sister, Ethel Amy Gallagher, who departed this life September 3, 1908, at Fotheringham-street, Marrickville, aged 1 year 8 months.

This little bud as white as snow,
Which from the Lord was given,
And fearing earth would spoil its bloom,
He planted it in Heaven.

Inserted by her loving mother, father, sisters, and brother.

GRIFFIN.—In loving memory of our dear father, Peter Griffin (late of Helensburgh and Bulli), who died at his late residence, 76 Alice-street, Newtown, September 3, 1904, aged 64 years. Inserted by his daughters, Ellen Hoffmann and Gertrude Colthrough.

HALL SIMPSON.—In loving memory of our dear father and grandfather, William Southern Hall, who died in Wollongong Hospital, November 10, 1888; also of our dear mother and grandmother, wife of the above, who died in Sydney Hospital, September 3, 1897, through burns accidentally received. Inserted by their loving daughter and grandchildren. Gone, but not forgotten. Dorothy Mackay and family.

JONES.—A tribute of love to the memory of our dear daughter and sister, Nellie Jones, who departed this life September 3, 1908, at Sydney, N.S.W., native of Portmadoc, Wales. Inserted by her loving parents, Captain and Mrs. Jones, and sister, Jennie. Welsh papers please copy.

MANUEL.—In loving memory of our dear father, John Manuel, who died September 3, 1901. May his soul rest in peace. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Frances Manuel.

MANUEL.—In loving memory of our dear father, who died at Watson's Bay on September 3, 1901. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, John and Emma Manuel. Dead, but not forgotten.

McDONALD.—In loving memory of my beloved husband and our dear father, Malcolm McDonald, who departed this life September 3, 1909. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

MULLINE.—In ever-loving memory of my dear husband, George, and my dearly loved father, who departed this life September 3, 1907. Inserted by his loving wife and daughter Nellie. R.I.P.

MULLINE.—In ever-loving memory of our dear father, George, who departed this life September 3, 1907. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Lizzie and Herb. Franklin.

NICOLL.—In affectionate memory of our dear mother, Jane Anne Nicoll, relict of the late E. B. Nicoll, M.L.A., formerly of Hill View, The Boulevard, Petersham, who departed this life at Bowral, September 3, 1908. Inserted by her sorrowing sons, Charles, George, and Gordon Nicoll.

O'CONNOR.—In loving memory of our dear daughter, Mary O'Connor, who died, at Moss Vale, September 3, 1908. Inserted by her loving parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll.

O'CONNOR.—In loving memory of our dear sister, Mary O'Connor, who died at Moss Vale, September 3, 1908. Inserted by her sisters and brothers.

ROWLEE.—In sad but loving memory of my dearly beloved husband, John Rowlee, who departed this life September 3, 1888, at his residence, 50 Paddington-street, Paddington. Inserted by his loving wife and family. Deeply regretted. At rest.

SMITH.—In loving memory of Emma Jane, who died, at Cataract, September 3, 1908. Inserted by her mother and sister.

WEST.—In sad though still fond remembrance of my darling husband, Joe, who passed peacefully away at Ethelton, St. David's-road, Ashfield, September 3, 1908, aged 27 years and 8 months.

Your smiles I call to memory, Joe;
Your voice I long to hear.
Oh, husband, oft I think of you,
For you to me were dear.
Fond thoughts they linger round my heart;
My tears they often flow;
And to the place where you are laid
My footsteps often go.

Inserted by his ever-loving wife, Ethel West.

WEST.—In sad but loving memory of our dear son-in-law and brother-in-law, who died at Ashfield, September 3, 1908. Inserted by his loving father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hilton, and Florence and Charles. Gone, but not forgotten.

WEST.—In loving memory of our dear brother-in-law, Joseph West, who departed this life September 3, 1908. Inserted by his little niece, Doris, and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Eleanor and Richard Lewis.

WEST.—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Joseph Edward West, who departed this life September 3, 1908. Inserted by his loving mother, sister, and brothers.

He lives within our memory still,
And will for evermore.

RETURN THANKS.

Mr. G. H. BROUN, on behalf of the Relations of the late Arthur G. Stevens, wishes to thank Messrs. Alfred Taylor, James O'Neill, and all other Gentlemen, who so kindly and generously contributed his funeral expenses.

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THE UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA, LIMITED.

BALANCE-SHEET, 27th FEBRUARY, 1909.

LIABILITIES.	£ s d	£ s d	ASSETS.	£ s d	£ s d
Capital		£4,800,000	Specie on hand, and Cash Balances		3,841,508 6 1
Less: Reserve Liability		3,000,000	Bullion and Advances on Bullion		242,326 6 5
			Money at Call and Short Notice in London		400,000 0 0
			Investments—		
Paid up		1,800,000 0 0	Reserve Fund—		
Reserve Fund—			Consols	£780,000 0 0	
Invested in the names of Trustees—as per contra	1,000,000		Local Loans Imperial Government Stock	250,000 0 0	
Not specifically invested	270,000	1,270,000 0 0			£1,000,000 0 0
			Other Investments—		
Balance of Undivided Profits		148,005 16 7	Consols and other Stocks of, or guaranteed by, the Imperial Government	241,597 12 0	
Circulation		674,072 0 0	India Government Sterling Stocks	223,072 0 0	
Deposits (including Inscribed Stock Deposits)		19,332,079 9 3	Colonial Government, and Municipal, Stocks and Debentures	223,571 5 2	
					687,940 17 2 1,687,940 17 2
Bills payable and other Liabilities (including Reserves held against Doubtful Debts)		5,082,003 0 1	Balance of Remittances and Drafts in transitu, and Bills Receivable at London Office		3,602,589 6 7
					2,860,416 16 2
			Bills Discounted, Loans and other Securities at the Branches and in London		14,846,326 11 5
			Bank Premises and Property in the Colonies	461,846 2 9	
			Less: Appropriation from profits	20,000 0 0	
					441,846 2 9
			London Leasehold Premises	147,304 10 4	
			Reserves against same and accrued interest	21,691 3 10	
					125,612 16 6
		£34,761,160 5 11			£34,761,160 5 11

STATEMENT OF PROFITS.

	£ s d	£ s d
Balance of Undivided Profits on 31st August, 1908		£143,444 3 9
Less: Dividend and Bonus—January, 1909		105,000 0 0
Leaving a Balance of		£37,444 3 9
Profits of the past half-year, after making provision in respect of Bad and Doubtful Debts	£287,889 19 8	
Less:		
Remuneration to the Local Directors,—and Salaries and Allowances to the Colonial Staff	82,650 2 8	
General Expenses in the Colonies,—including Rent, Taxes, Stationery, etc.	135,613 1 4	
Remuneration to the Board of Directors and Auditors, Salaries of London Office Staff, Rent, Taxes, Stationery, and General Expenses	15,895 17 10	
Income Tax	7,579 11 0	186,329 6 10 186,562 12 10
		178,006 16 7
Deduct:		
Appropriation to write down Bank Premises and Property in the Colonies	10,000 0 0	
Transfer to Reserve Fund	80,000 0 0	90,000 0 0
Balance of Undivided Profits at this date		£143,005 16 7

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} Directors.

A. C. WILLIS, Manager.
C. M. C. SHANNON, Accountant.

London, 13th July, 1909.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE AND REPORT.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 113 of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, we report to the Shareholders as follows:—

We have examined the above Balance-sheet with the Books at Head Office, and have had access to the Branch Accounts transmitted to the Head Office from the Colonies. We have verified the correctness of the Cash, Money at Call and Short Notice, Investments, and the Bills of Exchange held in London, and having obtained all the information and explanations we have required, we are of opinion that such Balance-sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the Books of the Company and the said Branch Accounts.

WHINNEY, SMITH, and WHINNEY,
Chartered Accountants,
Auditors.

London, E.C., 13th July, 1909.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

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HEALTHY STATE FINANCE.

As the period approaches for the termination of the Braddon clause, the position of the State Treasury must become more truly a matter of general concern. The thoughtful taxpayer would like to know how the State Government is likely to get on, and what may be the additional load which he must expect to carry as the result of any readjustment. Although the Auditor-General's report, which has just been tabled in Parliament, cannot be expected to throw any direct light upon these matters, it is of special interest at the present moment as showing that the finances of the State are in a thoroughly healthy condition, and that New South Wales may face the future with equanimity, even though she must expect to forego three-quarters of a million of her annual revenue. At the end of the last financial year, for instance, the total receipts were £13,687,275, notwithstanding the fact that a falling off of upwards of a quarter of a million sterling had to be recorded in connection with the State's share of the Commonwealth returns from Customs and excise. In addition to this, a further sum of £600,000 had to be marked as unavailable, owing to reductions in taxation passed in the previous year. The Auditor-General is quite satisfied with the vigour of the productive and commercial life of the State, after reviewing the position in these terms, and it is quite clear that the progress of the last five years will be continued if the present promise of the seasons is kept in countenance by further rainfall at the right time. In any case we seem to be certain of a magnificent shearing, and throughout vast areas the recent rain has removed any fear of a dry summer. The inauguration of the new arrangement between the Commonwealth and the States could hardly be made under more favourable circumstances so far as New South Wales is concerned, and Mr. Vernon's figures only bring the financial conditions into more effective relief. Thus the last report of a series completed under the working of the Braddon clause has much in it to command attention, and it deserves to be studied because the coming years will be referred to it as a sort of datum.

In the details of the Auditor-General's summing up will be found several points of special value. The public debt, for instance, is now given at £90,807,418, which works out at £56 12s 9d per head. This may appear heavy when compared with other countries, but as it is almost wholly reproductive the comparison is in our favour. Thus for railways and tramways, water and sewerage, and so forth we have borrowed and expended no less than £71,000,000, or nearly 60 per cent. of the total, and the amount actually earned meets the interest bill, and leaves a satisfactory margin for general purposes. It is hardly necessary at this juncture to go into the question of the wisdom of applying the final return from these reproductive works in the reduction of freights, fares, and charges. Something has been done in that direction, as we have already remarked, but the capitalist outside is not concerned with that so much as with the assurance he is receiving that the State is giving a very good account of itself, and that his loans are proving one of the safest investments in the Empire. Works not directly reproductive, such as water conservation, roads and bridges, harbours and rivers, cover nearly £8,000,000 of the ninety millions, but they are as truly part of the machinery of production as the door to a mill or the wharfs in a port. Works set down as unproductive have absorbed nearly another eight millions, but even they may be considered as essentials to the proper ordering of a big business. Those who are so ready to listen when critics begin to gird at Australian borrowing propensities may, therefore, be referred to the Auditor-General's report for particulars which place New South Wales, at any rate, in a good light. This is the more satisfactory because that official finds it necessary this year to magnify his office. He is the servant of Parliament, and not of any Minister or Government. No political bias may be looked for in his dissection of the State's finances, and he explains with a measure of self-congratulation that he has been able to enforce his will upon those who have been disposed to challenge his powers, and perhaps to question his authority.

While taking the general view that a thoroughly satisfactory condition of things is reflected in the Auditor-General's report, it is only fair to remark that warnings are given with respect to expenditure. Between the beginning and the end of the decade there has been an increase of £4,622,305 in the total amount expended upon the ordinary administration of the State. Some of this has, no doubt, gone to establish new funds, and to carry out works from revenue which would otherwise have been paid for out of loans. But the truth remains, that with a rising income there has been an ever-increasing temptation to spend freely, and one of the reminders we have found it necessary to give in view of a probable further substantial decrease in Commonwealth contributions is prompted by the feeling that the Treasurer should be able to economise. There is plenty of room for thrift without in any way impairing the efficiency of the departments, and the question arises whether it would not pay the Government to employ a few business experts whose duty it would be to watch the machinery, suggest short cuts, and lay hands upon the thousand openings which undoubtedly exist for waste and loss. One of the difficulties of government lies in the demands which are made when the exchequer is full, but this is a matter where Parliament is mostly responsible. For instance, the fact that federation would give New South Wales much money to spend was responsible for the inauguration of old-age pensions, and since we began to pay them no less a sum than four millions sterling has been paid away. The whole cost last year under this head was £627,349, the bulk of which will now be spent through the Commonwealth; but the State will still be responsible for a disbursement of £80,000 per annum for invalidity and accident. So do the charges mount up, and the path of Ministers is strewn with obstacles when the word comes to retrench. The Auditor-General does not dwell upon this phase of the question, nor does he need to, but his figures and conclusions help us to get such things into focus. The whole report is thus specially valuable, and the more so that it is again written with an evident sense of responsibility, and in a spirit of concentration which helps to give the reader a grip of the whole subject of State finance.

THE NORTH POLE.

The information as to the discovery of the North Pole by Dr. F. A. Cook is too scanty to permit of any definite judgment being pronounced. Dr. Cook has presumably provided himself with full and sufficient evidence in support of his claim, that he will make known in due course, and until this evidence is available we must keep an open mind. Dr. Cook, however, is a well-known explorer, with a good deal of both Arctic and Antarctic experience, and he bears a high reputation. It is decidedly improbable that he would send out such a report as the present unless he was prepared to substantiate it. At the same time his expedition is involved in a good deal of obscurity. He started towards the end of 1907, and was heard of in Greenland in February, 1908, whence he apparently meant to make his dash for the Pole along something like the track Peary had followed in 1902. According to the present account he actually crossed the Pole towards the end of April. He was then alone, except for two Eskimos, who, however, are alleged to confirm the story. The preliminary question is, Did Cook reach the geographical or the magnetic pole? But the latter achievement would never be spoken of by a responsible explorer as "reaching the Pole," even in a cable message. On the evidence as we have it the task set Dr. Cook seems almost impossible, but no one can say that it is quite impossible, and considering his past record we must accept the preliminary message as a witness, at any rate, to Cook's own belief that he has succeeded where all others have failed. The report is sufficiently remarkable to arouse world-wide interest, and apparently it is taken with full seriousness by those best capable of judging its value. Probably nothing could parallel such an achievement in the popular imagination. According to Cook's account, there is land in the farthest north, probably a narrow spur running into the deep circumpolar sea. At all events, in the heart of this desolate region is the imaginary point that has baffled even 19th century science and intrepidity, and Dr. Cook claims to have stood upon it.

If the long record of Arctic exploration proves to be at last crowned with success Dr. Cook will have earned immortality. Authentic accounts of Arctic exploration begin with the middle of the 16th century, and ever since then the elusive goal has been pursued. No difficulties could deter men like Ross and M'Clure, Parry and Franklin, M'Clintock and Nansen, in the quest that proved ever futile; and their successors in more recent years have been quite worthy of the splendid traditions of Arctic exploration. Nansen, Peary, and the Duke of the Abruzzi, Mikkelsen and Amundsen, and others of almost every European race, have thrown themselves into the search with infinite ardour, and there is not one of them who has not faced incredible hardships and persevered in the presence even of insuperable obstacles. Nevertheless, there was no inherent impossibility in the achievement, and countless have been the plans, some of them heroic even in the thought, for its accomplishing. To drift for four or five years in a little ship embedded in ice on the mere chance of drifting across the Pole, to sledge through the depths of the Arctic night, to trust to the frail help of an airship when a single accident would be fatal to all concerned—we have grown used to all these, and when we read of them being actually put in practice we fail to realise half of what they imply. Certainly, whether he has succeeded or no, Dr. Cook must rank among the most intrepid of the intrepid band. To dare to face the Arctic alone is given to few, even of those whose names stand synonymous for courage and devotion.

EVELEIGH LOCOMOTIVES.

The figures we were able to publish in connection with the cost of the first ten locomotives turned out of the Eveleigh workshops by the Railway Commissioners will have been scanned with some interest by those who have followed the controversy upon the question. It is shown that, counting up the cost in material and wages alone, the average outlay reaches £3982 per engine, or £54 13s 9d per ton. With the indirect charges added for superintendence, interest on capital, and so forth, the cost is given at £4941 per engine, or £67 17s per ton; and the question at once arises how this compares with the work turned out by private shops. There need be no cavil about the quality of the output of the Government workshops. We are quite willing to believe that nothing so good has been landed on our shores from the great establishments in Great Britain or America, and for the sake of argument we will assume that the experts are agreed upon the matter. There should be no reason for disagreement. This State has shown that it can, at least, hold its own in other branches of manufacture with outside enterprise, and if the Railway Commissioners had made up their minds to produce a type of engine equal to the best in the world of its class they would find the question not at all difficult to deal with. Money will buy the best of machine tools and the highest grade of material. We have the workmen at Eveleigh, and the rest should be easy. But this does not get to the heart of the matter, which is, after all, a problem of cost. Do the figures we have published offer satisfactory evidence that the Railway Commissioners can build locomotives cheaper than, say, the Clyde Company, or than British manufacturers?

So far as the Eveleigh locomotives are concerned, it may be said that they come out cheaper than the amount set down as a fair price for Clyde-built engines, but dearer than the engines built at Newport by the Victorian Government. On the direct charges, Newport says it can build at a cost of £50 per ton, while those just constructed at Eveleigh have run into another £4 13s 9d. Probably the engineers will settle this difference between them, and laymen may make a note and pass on. As to the final cost, it would appear that Eveleigh can build engines each nearly £300 cheaper than Clyde, and it is just here that a little further light would be acceptable. When we were discussing the whole question something over three years ago a very interesting article appeared in the "Times Engineering Supplement" on the problem of "dead charges." By this term manufacturers understand "the percentage which has to be added to the appropriated labour on an article to cover works manager, foremen, office staff, draftsmen, depreciation, rent, unappropriated labour, motive power, fuel, small tools, consumable stores, insurance, repairs, experimenting, printing, stationery, patterns, freight from the works, travelling expenses, royalties, rates, taxes, and pensions." In the opinion of the author of the article, who evidently had considerable experience, and who wrote with authority as having given many years to the study of manufacturing costs, the so-called "dead charges" represented a much higher percentage than has been allowed in the construction of the Eveleigh engines. The "Times" correspondent declared that he had never seen "a railway works of any magnitude where the dead charges could be less than 80 to 100 per cent. of the appropriated labour." In our own case it will be seen that the ratio is less than 60 per cent., and possibly it can be justified. But a little demonstration, in view of the question we have made, would be quite worth while, having regard to the importance of the whole question of cost.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

The Week in London.—Our special correspondent in London, writing on July 30, deals with M. Blériot's successful flight across the English Channel, the breaking of the Portsmouth boom, and the two conferences just assembling on South African Union and Imperial Defence.

Registry Offices.—The Minister for Public Instruction stated in the Legislative Assembly last evening, in reply to questions concerning the way in which registry offices for servants were conducted, that the police had reason to believe many of the advertisements published by these offices were fictitious, and were published with a view to drawing custom by indicating a more extensive business than really existed. Applicants accepting situations usually paid a fee equal to half a week's wages (barmaids a week's wages), and persons engaged by the year from £2 to £5. No complaints of obtaining money by false pretences had been made against any of the existing offices. The police could only interfere on the sworn information of the complainant. Numerous complaints had been made of exorbitant charges, and of the retention of fees where applicants had only remained a few hours or days in the situations through not being suitable or from other causes.

Chatswood Ladies' Grievance.—With respect to the complaint of the ladies of Chatswood in connection with the non-erection of the Chatswood Cot in the Royal North Shore Hospital, notwithstanding that its upkeep had been paid for by the subscribers, Mr. J. R. Carey (president of the institution) yesterday said that at the present juncture he had no desire to make any statement. He added that according to the published report of the proceedings at the ladies' indignation meeting on Wednesday they had intimated their intention to communicate with him on the subject, and when he was in receipt of their written complaint he would give a full and, he hoped, a satisfactory explanation of the incident over which the unpleasantness had arisen. "I have not as yet made any inquiries," he said, "and until I do, and am in possession of the formal complaint, I do not care to say anything at all. I am confident, however, that when the Chatswood ladies have my reply, nothing further will be heard of the matter."

Suburban Unification Proposal.—The Burwood Council is amongst the first to take steps for the unification of contiguous municipal areas. On the motion of Alderman W. Archer, seconded by Alderman J. Gregg, it has been decided to communicate with the Concord, Strathfield, and Homebush councils, asking them to confer with the Burwood Council on the advisability of amalgamating their areas with Burwood.

The Public Library.—The Minister for Public Instruction stated in the Assembly on Tuesday that with the limited space available the Public Library trustees had not been able to provide all the shelving accommodation required for the large additions of books that were constantly being made, but the whole question of additional library accommodation was receiving attention. When asked if it were a fact that the want of room was so severely felt that purchase of new books would have to cease unless special accommodation were provided, Mr. Hegue said that there need be no cessation of the purchase of books for some years, and that before such a contingency arose ample accommodation would be available.

They Got a Tired Feeling.—Speaking of his recent natural historical rambles in the Solomon Islands, Mr. W. W. Froggatt, the Government Entomologist, told the members of the Naturalists' Club last night that the population of the islands was decreasing. White men in the islands had told him that there were islands now whose owners could not be found. They had quietly dropped out of existence. The traders also said, although the missionaries did not agree with them, that the reason for the decrease of the native population was that the islanders had suffered from a tired feeling ever since head-hunting had been stopped. They had now nothing to do, and their chief object in life was gone. When they went head-hunting they had to keep themselves physically fit, and the little fighting they did gave them an interest in life which under civilised conditions was missing. They did not do much killing in their head-hunting expeditions, and the easy life they now suffered from meant their physical deterioration.

Contrary to Ordinance.—An illustration of the far-reaching capacity of the Local Government Act, and the completeness with which ordinances have been framed so as to embrace all contingencies, was given at the Paddington Police Court. The defendant was a woman, and she was proceeded against by the Waverley Council's inspector of nuisances for having wilfully, and without the authority of the council, destroyed a honeysuckle tree, growing upon the footway of Palmer-street. The locality is on the outskirts of the municipality, and contiguous to wastes of tea-tree-covered sand hills, while the tree, being indigenous to the soil, was probably of accidental growth. According to the views of the prosecution, cutting down such a tree was, under the circumstances, contrary to ordinance. The shrub was not regarded as an ornament. An alderman stated that he saw the defendant chopping at the root of the tree, which was close to his iron fence, but did not speak to her about it. He held the view that if defendant removed the root the sand would have shifted and made a hole under his fence. The defendant, with Washingtonian candour, admitted that she had laid the tomahawk to the tree, but she had only cut a root about three inches through and three feet in length. The Court did not think that the offence was sufficiently heinous to carry a conviction, and dismissed the case.

Second-hand Bedding.—A proclamation originally gazetted under the Federal Quarantine Act prohibited the importation of a number of articles, including second-hand bedding. This fact was brought under the notice of the Premier, and Mr. Wade at once wrote to the Commonwealth Prime Minister pointing out that the prohibition would operate somewhat harshly in the case of immigrant families, as it frequently happened that they brought bedding with them. It was therefore suggested to Mr. Deakin that the interests of the public health would be sufficiently safeguarded if the second-hand bedding were subjected on arrival to a proper disinfection under official supervision, as in the case of imported second-hand carpets, jute bags, etc. As the result of Mr. Wade's representations, a supplementary proclamation has been issued modifying the original proclamation to the extent that the prohibition against the importation of second-hand bedding will not apply to that belonging to and accompanying a passenger.

Industrial Awards.—In reply to questions asked in the Assembly on Tuesday, the Premier said that owing to congestion of business there had been some temporary delay in dealing with applications to the Industrial Registrar for inquiry as to breaches of the industrial awards. Seven inspectors under the Shops and Factories Act had been appointed to act under the Industrial Disputes Act. An additional inspector had been recently appointed, and he was at present solely engaged in investigating complaints under the Industrial Disputes Act. It was expected that future complaints would be dealt with without delay. It was further intended to appoint the early closing inspectors to be also inspectors under the Industrial Disputes Act to give special attention to awards relating to shop assistants, hotel and club employees, etc. In one case where an employer had been fined £150 for a breach of an award under the Act in respect of 10 different persons the total fines had been reduced to £75.

Railway Mechanism.—A letter to the editor, signed Archibald Manning, Ashfield, mentions that rumours are in circulation as to "grave defects in installations in connection with the railways," and goes on to say that the most serious of these rumours is "in relation to the electrification of the signalling and interlocking departments, on which a large sum has been expended, with most unsatisfactory results." Some explanation was sought from the Railway Department in respect to the subject. Responsible officers said they had no knowledge of any extraordinary expenditure or unsatisfactory results, and they pointed out that the allegations were of too general a character for the department to take up. If, however, any specific instances could be referred to, the facts would be ascertained.

The Old Tailor and the New.—A number of master tailors at the Industrial Court yesterday expressed the opinion that the practical tailor of to-day was not so good as the operative of 10 or 15 years ago. One employer went so far as to say that the old first-class tailor was dying out, and that the new ones coming on would never attain the high efficiency necessary to replace him. He backed up the latter statement by an assertion that, in addition to the few remaining first-class tailors in Sydney, the only others procurable were those who arrived from England. "We find the greatest difficulty in getting first-class hands," he said, in conclusion. Judge Heydon, when these statements were made, began to inquire into the reasons for the alleged decadence of the tailor. One employer admitted that the introduction of machines had something to do with it, but all were unanimous in the opinion that the piecework system was largely responsible for the increasing inefficiency. It was stated that apprentices under the piecework system had to be employed by the men themselves. That being so, they gave them little instruction, being anxious to get through as much work as possible to make the highest wages. Men on weekly wages were provided with improvers to assist them, and the employers paid the apprentices. As a result, garments were carefully tailored, and the apprentices properly taught. Judge Heydon remarked at this juncture that the workers, apparently, when they became employers developed the characteristics of an employer.

The Other Fellow's Standpoint.—One of the problems now before the Industrial Disputes Court is how to do the fair thing for tailors who are not the very ablest, in slack times. There are two periods of the year when orders are not pressing, and the union holds that all the hands should be given what work is offering in turns. The employers take the view that they are justified in these slack periods in employing the best of their men, although it means giving them constant employment to the detriment of others not highly efficient. Judge Heydon remarked that one of his difficulties was that both men and employers failed to look at matters from each other's standpoint. Neither cared to step out of his own little world of thought. "Perhaps," his Honor said, "God sent these men into the world without power to make the highest-class garments. Don't look at it only from your own point of view; that is what the men do. These men must have fair play." At the same time, his Honor said, he recognised the impracticability of taking turns. It would work out in a queer way if barristers were given briefs in turn. And if a newspaper followed that principle, it would have startling developments and a new policy every week. The problem was still unsolved when the Court rose.

Dr. Arthur is in receipt of a letter from Colombo from Captain F. W. Holden, who is acting as the agent for the immigration league of Australasia in the East, in which he says, "I am able to report that inquiries for settlement in Australia are still being received, particularly for boys; but in the absence of school and agricultural college prospectuses, I am unable to deal fairly with them."

Major Shallard, writing in reference to the formation of a progress association at Glenbrook recently, states that such an association has been in existence and has been doing good work for many years. This old association, Major Shallard says, has been in touch with the Railway Commissioner, the Postal Department, and the Tourist Bureau for years, and has been trying, during the past six weeks, to get a better train service. The president of the old association is Mr. W. T. Waters, and the secretary is Mr. H. C. Dobson.

Mr. M. A. Jeffs, head messenger at the Department of Navigation, who has been granted six months' leave of absence, was presented by the members of the staff with a travelling rug and pipe on Wednesday last.

Mr. Andrew Sinclair writes complaining of the way football encourages brutality among schoolboys. One of his sons, 59 years of age, had an arm broken by a youthful footballer. "The attention of the Minister for Education," he says, "should be drawn to this highly objectionable phase of school life, and such brutality put a stop to."

There is to hand a pamphlet on "Australia's Defence Problem," by "K. B." The writer outlines a scheme for universal service, as in his view "Australia demands more than a citizen soldiery."

"D. B." writes regretting that the wattle does not figure prominently in our public parks and gardens. A park with wattle in bloom, he says, would vie with the famous cherry trees of Japan.

"Aviator" asks the meaning of the terms "not lighter than air" in the conditions for the Federal aeroplane prize, asserting that without inflation no flying machine can be perfect.

The attendances at the National Art Gallery for August numbered 24,252 persons, being an average of 782 a day.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

His Excellency the Governor-General is a competitor for the open golf championship of Australia, which begins at Sandringham to-day. Lord Dudley meets F. W. Fairbairn in the first draw.

Attached to a bouquet presented to Madame Melba at her farewell concert by Mr. Percy Marks was a ring embodying her racing colours in products of New South Wales. The ring itself is of pure silver from Broken Hill, centred by a fine dark opal from Lightning Ridge, showing green and purple rays, and finished on either side with sparkling diamonds from Bingara. Inside the ring is engraved the date of the farewell and the word "Mascotte," the whole souvenir being exquisitely wrought.

Mr. David Kirkcaldie, one of the Railway Commissioners, underwent an operation on Wednesday for appendicitis. Yesterday his condition was favourably reported upon.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. William Constable celebrated their gol

THE NORTH POLE.

REACHED BY DR. F. A. COOK.

SIXTEEN MONTHS AGO.

HIS RETURN TO THE SHETLANDS.

STRICT SECRECY MAINTAINED.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

It is claimed that Dr. Frederick Albert Cook, a native of Brooklyn, has reached the North Pole.

Dr. Cook, who secretly left the United States in the summer of 1907 for Greenland, and who was given up as lost in October last, yesterday telegraphed to his wife from Lerwick, Shetland Islands, as follows:—

"Successful and well; address Copenhagen."

No tidings have been received of Dr. Cook since October last, unt. the arrival of the Danish steamer Hans Egede at Lerwick yesterday She anchored for two hours and then proceeded to Copenhagen.

Absolute secrecy is maintained regarding Dr. Cook's journey. The Danish Consul himself was bound over to secrecy by the explorer before receiving any information; but the Inspector of Greenland passengers on the steamer telegraphed to the Administration of the Greenland Colonies at Copenhagen from Lerwick:—

"We have aboard Dr. Cook, who reached the North Pole on April 21, 1908.

"Dr. Cook arrived at Upernavik, on the west coast of Greenland (latitude 72deg. 48min. N.), from Cape York (310 miles to the north-west), in May, 1909.

"Eskimos at Cape York confirm the truth of Dr. Cook's journey."

Reuter's correspondent at Brussels telegraphs, under date of Wednesday:—

"M. Lecointe, director of the Observatory, and a colleague with Dr. Cook in the Belgica Antarctic Expedition, has received a telegram from Dr. Cook, who announced that he had reached the Pole, and had discovered land in the extreme north."

ELATION IN THE UNITED STATES.

A COMPLETE SURPRISE.

The New York correspondent of the "Times" writes, "The news of Dr. Cook's discovery has been received here with elation. So little publicity was given to Dr. Cook's expedition, and so much to Commander Peary's attempt to reach the Pole, that almost everybody was taken completely by surprise."

Even officers of the National Geographic Society at Washington confess that they knew little about the expedition.

MORE NEWS ON SATURDAY.

Great excitement and enthusiasm prevail at Copenhagen, where Dr. Cook is expected on Saturday.

MODESTLY EQUIPPED EXPEDITION.

DASH NORTH WITH THREE MEN.

Dr. Cook's companion, Mr. Randolph Francke, finding that the climate was too severe for him, returned to Newfoundland from Greenland in 1908.

Dr. Cook then proceeded alone with two Eskimos and eight dog teams laden with supplies. He was then 500 or 600 miles from the Pole.

Lieutenant Shackleton calculates that if the Pole itself was reached Dr. Cook covered 483 miles in 35 days.

A DOUBT RAISED.

After the departure of the Hans Egede yesterday, it was stated at Lerwick that Dr. Cook had merely reached the North Magnetic Pole. If this is so, the exploit is not remarkable, as Sir James Ross attained the Magnetic Pole in 1836.

LONDON STARTLED.

THE KING HIGHLY INTERESTED.

Lieutenant Shackleton, in London, and King Edward, at Marienbad, were highly interested inspectors of the message telling of Dr. Cook's expedition.

The news startled London.

The "Times" remarks, "The evidence is yet very incomplete, but it has the appearance of bona fides, and Dr. Cook's previous record is serious."

DR. COOK'S EXPEDITION.

A SECRET DEPARTURE.

Dr. Frederick Albert Cook set out in the expedition which, it is claimed, has been so successfully concluded about the middle of 1907. His preparations were made with great secrecy, and it was not till the autumn of that year, when news was received from Etah, high on the west coast of Greenland, of his arrival there, that anyone beyond his wife and a few intimate friends knew even of his intention to lead an expedition to the Pole. At Etah he established his main base of supplies for his advance northward in the following summer, that of 1908. He hoped to push north by a route west of Ellesmere Land.

Some resentment was felt in Arctic exploring circles when the proposed route of Dr. Cook became known. It followed much of the intended route of Commander Peary, whose intention to set out in 1908 had been announced, and by the ethics of exploring this route for a dash to the Pole was held to be reserved to Commander Peary till he should either have succeeded in his efforts to reach the Pole or have abandoned the attempt.

News from Dr. Cook was expected in August of last year, and when none was received, and the northern passage was closed, it was feared that disaster had overtaken him. Just a month later word was received that Commander Peary, who had in July left America on another attempt on the pole, had arrived safe at Etah. His expedition was expected to last two years. He intended to proceed by the South Sound route to his winter quarters on the northern shore of Grant Land, and he hoped to be able to start for the pole with fully loaded sledges from the big land discovered by him on his last expedition about 84 degrees N. He took with him sounding apparatus, and would endeavour to obtain a line of soundings from Grant Land to the pole. He expected to be away two years. If Commander Peary has been forestalled in his ambition the United States has still the consolation that an American has achieved the feat.

EXPLORER'S CAREER.

Frederick Albert Cook is a physician, 44 years of age. He is of German extraction, the family name having been changed from Koch to Cook. Educated at Brooklyn, he graduated M.D. at the University of New York in 1890, and the following year commenced his career in exploration, joining the Peary Expedition of 1891-92 as surgeon. Five years later he went to the opposite end of the world, being surgeon to the Belgica Antarctic Expedition, 1897-99.

We next find Dr. Cook as the leader of expeditions organised and financed by himself and his friends. He chose mountaineering in Alaska as a field for his apprenticeship trip to leadership. Twice he explored the Alaskan Range—in 1903 and 1906. In September of the latter year, with only one companion, he climbed in that range Mount M'Kinley, the highest mountain in North America, 20,390ft, eight days being occupied in the ascent and four in the descent. The results of the two expeditions are given in his work, "To the Top of the Continent; Discovery, Exploration, and Adventures in Sub-Arctic Alaska." A record of his earlier experiences in the Antarctic with the Belgica was published in 1900, and entitled "Through the First Antarctic Night."

Dr. Cook married in 1902 Mary Fidell Hunt. He holds various decorations—the Order of Leopold, Belgium, the gold medal of the Royal Society of Belgium, and the silver medal of the Royal Geographical Society of Belgium.

PROFESSOR DAVID'S VIEWS.

LAND AT THE POLE IMPROBABLE.

Professor David, who accompanied Lieutenant Shackleton in his expedition in search of the South Pole, and located the southern magnetic pole, when seen last night, stated that he was not aware that Dr. F. A. Cook was endeavouring to reach the Pole, and was unacquainted with him as an Arctic explorer. When informed that the cable stated that Dr. Cook had discovered land in the extreme north, Professor David said that this was very improbable, as all soundings taken by Nansen and other explorers, who had succeeded in approaching closely to the North Pole, indicated the presence of a very deep ocean at the Pole. The existence, he said, of an isolated island of a volcanic nature at the Pole was possible, but in view of facts supplied by previous explorers it did not seem likely that a large stretch of land was to be found in the extreme north.

THE APPROACH TO THE POLE

COMMANDER PEARY'S NEAREST.

Before yesterday the nearest approach to the Pole was that of Commander R. E. Peary, of the U.S. navy. He reached 87deg. 6min. north latitude. Next to him came the Duke of the Abruzzi, who reached 86deg. 33min. in 1900, which was 30 miles better than Nansen's record.

Commander Peary started out in 1905, in the Roosevelt from New York. He steamed round the corner of Greenland, through Smith Sound, and, after passing the autumn at Cape Sheridan, away up through Kennedy and Robeson Channels to the north-east; then westward, and then zig-zag up as far as he could go. This was by no means his first trip, but his nearest approaches hitherto had been 83deg. 50min. in 1900, and 84deg. 17min. in 1902. At Cape Sheridan Peary spent the winter, making continual preparations for the sledge journey in the spring across the polar ice. There was not much monotony. Every month sledges came in from the Esquimaux settlements, bringing loads of musk ox meat and Esquimaux families. And in February the start with the sledges was made from Point Moss, in about 83deg. north latitude, in Grant Land. The members of the sledge expedition were, besides Peary, Captain Hartlett, Dr. Wolf, Marvin, Henson, Clark, Ryan, 21 Esquimaux, and 120 dogs. This party divided into one main and five or six division parties, with which it was hoped to be able to advance supplies and maintain communication, with a base as high as Abruzzi's farthest north, for the final point of departure. The brandy froze, the petroleum became white and viscid, the dogs, says Peary, were tired and unambitious. They had some trouble in crossing "the Big Lead," the tidal crack between the land ice of Lincoln Sea of the central polar pack, and wind and blinding drift and broken ice much impeded them. "To face the gale," he says once, "would quickly wear out the strongest man living." And then the gale abated, the sun shone out, and he found he was in 85deg. 12min. A large quantity of provisions had been lost in a "lead," and Peary's party became separated from the others into which he had divided his men. Their trail could not be found. He abandoned everything not absolutely needed, and made on, doing 10 hour marches. The weather became quite calm; "Yesterday hell," he says, "to-day comparative heaven." The position of the sun was fairly discernible. The ice grew smoother, and they came into a region of open "leads," tending nearly north and south, and the motion of the ice became pronounced. On April 21 observations showed that they had beaten the record. Peary was anxious to keep on, but his party were worn out, his sledges nearly empty, the ice over which they had come was drifting ice, and he remembered the width of the "big lead" between them and the nearest land. He turned back. "My flag," he says, "was flung out from the summit of the highest pinnacle near us, and a hundred feet or so beyond this I left a bottle containing a brief record and a piece of the silk flag which six years before I had carried round the northern end of Greenland." Then he turned south.

THE DUKE OF THE ABRUZZI.

Next to Peary on the list of the North Pole-seekers, comes Prince Louis Amadeore of Savoy, Duke of the Abruzzi. He was a fine mountain climber, and in 1897, after climbing Mount Elias, in Alaska, which had been too much for others, he determined to try his luck on an expedition to the pole. He bought the Jason, a whaler of 358 tons, and 400-h.p. He rechristened her the Stella Polan, provisioned her for five years, and set out in her from Laurvik, near Christiania, in 1899. She had on board 120 Siberian dogs. At Cape Flora, in Franz Joseph Land, a cache left by the previous explorer, Jackson, was found in good order, and the Duke stored a quantity of provisions there, in case the vessel should be lost. He then sailed on up British Channel, passing on his way the members of the Wellman expedition, who were being brought home in the Capella. Ice almost blocked the channel, and it was at last decided to winter in Teplits Bay. The vessel was nipped, and a leak sprung, and the winter was spent in making short expeditions. In one of these the Duke was caught in a snowstorm, and two of his fingers so badly frostbitten that they had to be amputated. By March, when the sledge expedition started, the wound was not healed, so the command was taken by Captain Cagni. Two supporting parties went with him in the first part of the journey. The first of these to leave him was under St. Quirini, and it was never heard of again. Probably they all fell down a crevasse. But Cagni's party found the ice smooth, and towards the end of April they had beaten Nansen, reaching 86deg. 33min. Then their provisions began to give out, and they turned back. They were pretty nearly starved before they reached the ship, and of the 80 dogs they had had only six remained.

NANSEN'S FARTHEST NORTH.

HIS DRIFT IN THE FRAM.

The best-known name of the explorers of the north is Nansen's. He set out in 1893 from Christiana in the Fram. Previous explorers have been afraid to leave the coast. Nansen was told no ship could stand the fearful pressure of the winter ice. He had his vessel built accordingly.

The sides were 20 inches thick, and she was built so as to rise when squeezed in the ice, and when under steam and sail she was expected to travel 8 or 9 knots an hour. She carried a crew of 13, including Lt. Johansen, who went with Nansen over the ice. The Fram sailed up the Kara Sea, and north past New Siberia, and Nansen entered the pack ice at 78deg. 50min. As soon as the ice had gripped the vessel the crew got ready for winter. The rudder was shipped, the hold was cleared to make room for a joiner's shop, the engine was taken to pieces, and a workshop set up in its place. Tinsmith's work was done in the chartroom, and shoemaker's in the saloon. There was always something to occupy the men. The Fram drifted south-west for seven weeks, then north again, always resisting the worst pressures of the ice. Sometimes she was raised up so high that her bottom was almost visible. Hansen now determined to leave the ship and push still farther north with dogs and sledges. There would be no chance of finding the vessel again, for she was always changing her position; so it was a risky business. And with 28 dogs, three sledges, two kayacks, 30 days' food for the dogs, and 100 days' food for themselves, they left the ship. Nansen and Johansen needed all their pluck. High-piled ridges of ice formed constantly in front of them, and over these the men had to drag the sledges. The ice grew worse and worse as they went north, until at last, on April 7th (they had left the ship on March 14), Nansen, having climbed to the top of the highest peak about, found nothing but packed, piled-up, ice right to the horizon. "It was like a rough sea," he said, "that had been petrified." They had reached 86deg. 14. min.; and they now turned back.

EARLY EXPLORATIONS.

It is said that the Arctic Sea was first entered by Othere, a Norwegian. A fragment called the "Voyage of Othere" exists in Anglo-Saxon as a sort of report to Alfred the Great. The Greenland coast seems to have been colonised about 1000 A.D. Arctic discovery stood at that until the adventurous days of Queen Elizabeth. Sir Hugh Willoughby, one of the finest of the sea-dogs, sighted Novaga Zembya in 1553, and in 1556 the Kara Strait was discovered by Stephen Burrough. The Dutch were next in the field. Some of their voyagers located Spitsbergen, and wintered in the Arctic regions before the close of the 16th century. Then came the exploits of Henry Hudson, who in 1607 sailed up the east coast of Greenland, and three years later discovered Hudson Strait. The 17th century was not very fruitful in Arctic exploration, but in 1707 a Dutch captain sighted land north of Spitsbergen—land that later navigators have been unable to find. Parry, whose name stands in the front rank of Arctic explorers, reached a latitude of 82deg. 45min. to the north of Spitzbergen in 1827; and this was nearly equalled by Nordenskiold in 1868. Indeed, his record on the European side of the Arctic has up to now been only beaten by the Fram. Franz Josef Land was discovered in 1872 by Pager and Weyprecht. The entrance to the Arctic regions west of Greenland is the strait discovered by Dovis in 1585. Baffin passed through it in 1616. Interest in the north-west passage then languished for a couple of hundred years, after which came Sir John Ross's voyages. In 1818 he confirmed Baffin's observations, and in the next year Lieutenant Parry sailed through Lancaster Sound. In 1829-33 Sir John Ross passed up Regent Inlet to the Gulf of Bothnia, while his nephew discovered the north magnetic pole. Sir John Franklin's expedition in search of the North West Passage sailed in 1845, and Franklin died on the coast of King William Land in 1847. The expedition ascertained the existence of a sea-passage from the Atlantic to the channels south of Victoria and Wollaston Land, leading to Behring Straits. Between 1847 and 1857 some 40 expeditions were fitted out in search of Franklin, and these incidentally greatly enlarged our knowledge of the Arctic regions. A notable figure of this time was Sir F. L. M'Clintock. The Nares expedition of 1875-6 achieved important results, sledge parties reaching latitude 83deg 20min., a record only slightly improved in 1881-4 by Lieutenant Greeley, who touched the highest latitude until the Nansen expedition. Several attempts were made in the nineteenth century to reach the Arctic seas by Behring Straits. The most important attempt by this route was that of M'Clure and Collinson, 1850-1854, M'Clure and his crew making the North-West Passage on the ice. From the same direction was made the voyage of the Jeannette, 1879-81. About the same time Baron Nordenskiold made the North-East Passage in the Vega.

Amongst other Arctic explorers of the last 10 years or so, Conway and Andree, Sverdrup, Wellmann, and Toll ought to be mentioned. Sir Martin Conway, a famous mountain climber, made his attempt in 1896, starting from Advent Bay, in Spitsbergen, with sledges and ponies. At this time Andree's balloon was waiting at the north end of the island for a favouring wind. The sledges and ponies were found to be a handicap, but the climate turned out temperate, and the island was crossed and recrossed.

Andree was a Swedish engineer, and an unusually enterprising and skilful aeronaut. After crossing the Baltic in a balloon he determined to try to reach the pole in one. The idea was tempting. A steady south wind would do the trick in no time. Funds were raised, the balloon built of silk, cemented in fourfold layers, and varnished. Its cubical contents were 158,294ft. It was to be guided by a sail fitted with guide ropes, which would drag along the ground and prevent the balloon being driven at the full force of the wind. The balloon was carried to Danes Island in the Virgo. The balloon-house was built in a month, but the wind blew the wrong way all that summer. Andree had to go home again. Next July he started, and was never heard of again.

Sverdrup sailed from Upernavik on August 5 in the Fram, which had been refitted. He wintered in Hayes' Sound, sledged across Ellesmere Island, explored Jones Sound, and spent the two next winters at the mouth of Belcher Channel. Sverdrup did good geographical work.

BRITISH LICENSE DUTIES.

CONCESSION TO IRISH PUBLICANS.

UNITED NATIONALIST DEMAND.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

In Committee of Ways and Means in the House of Commons last night, Budget resolutions regarding licenses were submitted.

Mr. J. E. Redmond, leader of the Nationalists, moved to exclude Ireland from the operation of the new licenses.

Mr. Asquith, Prime Minister, in the course of a conciliatory reply, said that while the acceptance of such a sweeping amendment was out of the question, he was prepared to go some way towards meeting the views of Mr. Redmond. The Government would reduce the minimum amount of license duty payable in respect of public-houses in areas with a given population in Ireland as compared with public-houses in areas of the same population in England or Scotland. He would further propose that the system of valuation in Ireland should not be disturbed. He also promised to consider some concession to small brewers.

Mr. J. J. Clancy (Nationalist) thanked Mr. Asquith for the concessions, but intimated that Nationalists would reserve judgment until the concessions took the form of amendments.

Mr. Balfour, leader of the Opposition, in the course of a spirited criticism, said he was unable to understand why the small publican and brewer in Ireland should be treated differently to his brethren in England and Scotland. He suggested, amid Unionist cheers, that there had been a political bargain.

Mr. Balfour added, "After all, you may carry these bargains too far. You may sacrifice too much." He supposed that this was an old bargain. It was scandalous that the Government should have kept it. He contended that the Committee had been monstrously used.

Mr. Herbert Samuel, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, accused Mr. Balfour of grossly exaggerated language. He added: "After all the representatives of a people are not to be treated as of no account."

Mr. A. Chamberlain said "it comes to this: there are 80 votes which the Government cannot afford to lose."

Mr. Redmond's amendment was negatived by 250 votes to 62.

RESTRICTION ON WHISKY SELLING.

SCOTS AND IRISH UP IN ARMS.

The restrictions in connection with the selling of whisky by grocers in Ireland and Scotland, proposed by Mr. Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, are exciting great opposition. Many communications on the matter have reached private members.

SHIPPING INSURANCE.

NOTICE TO AUSTRALIAN SHIPPERS.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

The Liverpool and London Steamship Protection Association has given notice to companies trading in Australian and New Zealand waters of its intention to refuse renewals of their entries after February 20, 1910, because their claims have been far in excess of their contribution to the Association.

There are several associations of shipowners in England, popularly known as "shipping clubs," formed for the purpose of covering risks which the ordinary marine insurance policies do not cover. Insurance companies, as a rule, only pay claims that exceed a percentage of the amount covered—generally about 1 per cent. The protection associations or "clubs" commence where the insurance companies leave off, and pay all claims that fall below the percentage covered by ordinary insurance.

These clubs are mutual concerns, and the members pay according to the rates of subscription fixed. Most of the claims made are very small, and generally relate to cargo and trivial damages to vessels.

NEW ZEALAND LAND CLAIM.

PREMIER AND AMBASSADOR CONFER.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

Mr. James Bryce, British Ambassador to the United States, and Sir Joseph Ward, Premier of New Zealand, conferred at Montreal regarding the claim of the heirs of Webster against New Zealand on account of land said to have been sold by Maoris to Webster.

GUARDING NAVAL SECRETS.

SPECIAL DETECTIVES.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

The Government has appointed a staff of special detective-inspectors at Portsmouth, Chatham, and Devonport dockyards, with a view of safeguarding naval secrets.

MOTOR CAR FATALITY.

LORD DE CLIFFORD KILLED.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

Lord de Clifford was killed by the upsetting of his motor car yesterday at Horsham. He suddenly applied the brake to the car to avoid a cart. The motor overturned, and he was killed on the spot.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

PROTEST AGAINST SECULAR EDUCATION.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

The Trade Union section of the Salford Roman Catholic Association has protested against the endeavours of the Trade Union Congress to secularise education.

ONTARIO PARLIAMENT HOUSE BURNED.

The Parliamentary building of the State of Ontario at Toronto was partially burned yesterday. The damage is estimated at 1,000,000 dollars (£200,000).

SPANISH ANARCHIST ARRESTED.

Ferrer, an anarchist who has been sought since the Barcelona outbreak, has been arrested at San Sebastian.

THE SULTAN ON TOUR.

The Sultan of Turkey is touring Brusa, Asia Minor.

ESPIONAGE IN SEDAN.

A coffee-house-keeper in Sedan, France, has been arrested on a charge of espionage.

He was employing carrier pigeons, which flew to Germany.

CROQUET COMPETITION.

The Croquet Association of New South Wales has affiliated with the English association, which has presented gold and silver medals for competition.

The association in Sydney has suggested that the regulations be mailed in time for a competition in October.

WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS.
Buy Whole Bottles.—Advt.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR.

BRITISH EXCLUSIVENESS.

PREVENTION OF NON-UNION EXPEDITIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

The International Labour Conference is now sitting at Paris.

Complaints were made that English workmen were seeking the exclusion of foreign workmen, and disregarded the resolution passed at the Christiania Conference that members of affiliated unions should be admitted members of corresponding unions wherever they went.

At the instance of Mr. Appleton the conference approved of the attempts of the British Labour party to secure the application of the principles of the Foreign Enlistment Act to cases of organised "black leg" expeditions to other States.

Budapest, Hungary, was chosen as the meeting place of the next conference.

FIRE AT A HOME.

RESCUE OF CHILDREN.

BRAVERY OF NUNS.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

Further details regarding the fire which occurred at St. Malachy's Home, Long Island, New York, show that 10 children were burnt to death. Six hundred children escaped.

The nuns literally dragged 200 out of a burning wing.

Sister Concepta carried 65 babies from a smoke-filled nursery, two in each arm at a time, from cots to a staircase from whence four of the older girls carried them to the yard.

A HUNTING ADVENTURE.

EARL GREY BUSHED.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada, while hunting alone in the woods at Jerves Inlet, in the west of British Columbia, lost his way at nightfall, and became bushed for five hours. He narrowly escaped falling down a precipice.

Eventually a search-party rescued him.

FRENCH NAVAL PRACTICE.

SERIOUS FIRING ERROR.

SHELL PIERCES A CRUISER.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

During firing practice of the French North Squadron, off Quiberon, the cruiser Gloire, through an error in direction, fired six shells at the cruiser Marseillaise.

One shell pierced the hull, and exploded, but the damage was slight.

PROHIBITION OF TORTURE.

POWERS' SUMMONS TO MOROCCO.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

The Powers in a Collective Note have summoned Mulai Hafid to prohibit the torture of prisoners and punishments involving mutilation or a lingering death.

THE BUDGET.

LORD ROSEBERY TO SPEAK.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

Yielding to a widespread appeal, Lord Rosebery will speak against the Budget at Glasgow on the 10th instant.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

WIDESPREAD DAMAGE.

FIVE THOUSAND HOMELESS.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

A fire, which occurred in Krivoirom, in the Kherson district, South-western Russia, destroyed 450 buildings.

The damage is estimated at 1,000,000 roubles, and 5000 people have been rendered homeless and foodless.

FIERCE FRENCH DUEL.

BOTH COMBATANTS WOUNDED.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

Owing to a French army captain assaulting another publicly a fierce duel with swords was fought by the two men in Paris. They engaged for seven bouts. One was wounded twice and the other three times.

THE FOOTBALL DISPUTE.

TRUCE DECLARED.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

A truce has been declared in the dispute between the Players' Union and the Football Association pending further negotiations.

The association has removed its suspensions, and to-day's matches are being played.

THE LAN-CHAU MURDER.

UNITED STATES SUPPORTS BRITAIN.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

Mr. H. P. Fletcher, the United States Charge d'Affaires, supports the firm demand of Sir J. W. Jordan, the British Minister at Peking, for reparation for the murder of Hasrah, an Indian surveyor, near Lan-Chau, on June 21.

ORIENT STEAMER DELAYED.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

The R.M.S. Osterley, which left London on August 6 for Sydney, is delayed at Colombo owing to a bent piston-rod.

According to a cable message received by the manager of the Orient S. N. Company at Sydney, the Osterly was detained for more than a day at Port Said in consequence of a mishap to one of the cylinders of one of her engines. She resumed her journey under disability, but it was hoped that she would be able to pick up the lost time on the run to Colombo. In spite of the partially crippled condition of one of her engines, she has covered more than 3000 miles at her previous rate of speed, but is still a day behind timetable date.

The Osterley is the third of the new 12,000-ton mail steamers built to the order of the Orient S. N. Company to meet the requirements of the Australian mail contract, and she is now on her maiden voyage from London to Sydney. She is named after the country seat of the Earl of Jersey—Osterley Park.

WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS,
The Family Stimulant.—Advt.

M.C.C. MATCH.

FREE BATTING BY HOME TEAM.

ONE WICKET FOR 187.

PLAY ABANDONED THROUGH RAIN.

LONDON, Sept. 1.

The weather is unsettled, and at Lords the wicket is fast to-day. There was only a poor attendance to witness the resumption of play in the match M.C.C. v Australia.

Cotter and Armstrong opened the attack against Tarrant and Foster, and the batting was steady. Tarrant obtained his 50 after 115 minutes' play. Foster, when 84, was brilliantly caught at long-on by Macartney, off Laver. His had been a fine all-round performance of 145 minutes, and included one 5 and seven 4's. Tarrant was 57. One for 157.

Hardstaff joined Tarrant, and both played quietly, Tarrant being greatly on the defensive. At lunch the total was 137, Tarrant being 65, and Hardstaff 22.

Further play was abandoned owing to rain.

Scores:—

M.C.C.—First Innings, 183.

AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.

M. A. Noble, c Moore, b Llewellyn	43
W. Bardsley, lbw, Buckenham	0
V. Ransford, b Buckenham	190
V. Trumper, b Fielder	80
S. E. Gregory, c Foster, b Fielder	6
W. W. Armstrong, b Tarrant	9
C. G. Macartney, c Austin, b Buckenham	84
A. Cotter, c Austin, b Buckenham	6
H. Carter, c Austin, b Buckenham	9
F. Laver, b Buckenham	13
J. A. O'Connor, not out	2
Sundries	22
Total	434

Bowling.—Buckenham, six for 86; Relf, none for 43; Thompson, none for 67; Fielder, two for 106; Tarrant, one for 84; Llewellyn, one for 15.

M.C.C.—Second Innings.

F. A. Tarrant, not out	65
H. K. Foster, c Macartney, b Laver	84
J. Hardstaff, not out	22
Sundries	16
One wicket for	187

Bowling.—Cotter, none for 62; O'Connor, none for 14; Armstrong, none for 38; Macartney, none for 14; Laver, one for 41.

THE AUSTRALIANS' AVERAGES.

BATTING.

Ransford	36	4	190	1636	48.70
Armstrong	36	7	130*	1368	46.86
Barnsley	46	2	219	1821	46.57
Trumper	43	2	180	1841	42.70
Noble	39	1	131	1015	38.00
M'Alister	27	4	85	576	25.18
Gregory	37	5	74	616	19.35
Macartney	37	1	81	676	18.33
Hopkins	33	3	58*	545	17.58
Carter	29	5	61	359	14.95
Hartigan	27	1	88	370	14.23
O'Connor	25	0	89	163	12.46
Cotter	27	0	87	297	11.00
Laver	16	3	17	133	9.66
Whitty	19	1	18*	69	7.64
Carkeek	13	3	18*	59	5.85

* Not out.

BOWLING.

	Wkts.	Runs.	Avge.
Laver	66	926	14.16
Armstrong	65	1371	15.00
Whitty	65	1303	16.09
Hopkins	48	912	19.00
Macartney	50	1085	19.42
O'Connor	55	1116	20.29
Cotter	63	1600	25.40
Noble	22	701	34.09

Ransford, one for 12; Hartigan, none for 4; Trumper, none for 122; Gregory, none for 76.

The foregoing averages include all matches, excepting those against West of Scotland Union and South Wales, which are not first-class.

M. A. Noble in his last innings reached his thousand in first-class matches for the tour.

NEW ZEALAND'S DESIRES.

AN IMPERIAL NAVY.

STATE-OWNED CABLES.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

Sir Joseph Ward, Premier of New Zealand, interviewed at Montreal, said that at the Imperial Defence Conference, New Zealand stood firm for an undivided Imperial navy, but was outvoted.

Sir Joseph Ward added that New Zealand was a strong advocate of an all-red steamship route, and of cable lines owned by the Government.

SITE FOR ZOO.

WENTWORTH ESTATE ACQUIRED.

COST £12,000.

THE HISTORIC HOME TO REMAIN.

In all probability the new home for the animals at the Zoo will be on a site at the Wentworth estate, Vaucluse. This historic property, comprising some 20 acres, has been purchased by the State Government at a cost which will probably approach £12,000. It includes the mansion formerly occupied by the late William Charles Wentworth, containing 20 rooms, together with the outbuildings, the area of park land immediately surrounding the house, and four acres of land abutting on the foreshores of Vaucluse Bay. It is the present intention of the Government to preserve as a national memorial the house and garden, on account of many historic associations.

The new Zoo will, according to present intentions, be upon the four acres that have the water frontage. It will be possible, by carrying out reclamation, at a comparatively small cost, to increase the area, and at the same time deepen the water frontage to allow of access at all tides by boat. The bay is peculiarly well situated and sheltered from the prevailing winds. It will be accessible by ferry steamers calling at the Vaucluse Wharf, and people will be able to land from sailing boats and launches at Vaucluse Bay. Provision is also being made for access between the New South Head-road and the southern boundary of the area.

A frontage of between 200 and 300 yards to the water is contained in the site proposed for the Zoo. When the question of the Moore Park Gardens was first brought under notice it was thought that Ashton Park, Bradley's Head, would be suitable, but the authorities reported against that area.

TRAM CAR AFIRE.

PASSENGERS' SENSATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

A carload of passengers on a tram which left the Mosman's Bay wharf at about a quarter to 12 on Wednesday night had a rather exciting experience shortly after the car had left the bay.

While climbing the hill between Mosman's Bay and Carrobert-street the car suddenly came to a stop, and the driver could not get it to start again. After conferring with the conductor, he decided to take the pole of the front car off the wire and drive it from the rear car. The pole of the rear car was accordingly placed on the wire, and the driver prepared to make a start. As soon as he turned the handle, however, there was a series of explosions, and the car appeared to be enveloped in flames.

There were about 50 passengers on the two cars at the time, many being in evening dress returning from the theatres. They leaped wildly from their seats an! sought safety on the road. In a few minutes the car was entirely abandoned, the driver and conductor deeming it advisable to beat a hasty retreat. The flashes of light continued, and the rapidity of the explosions resembled a fusilade. A moment later the footboard of the car ignited, and the woodwork underneath the car caught alight. Tongues of flame yards long leaped out from under the car, and attempts to cut off the current were frustrated.

The cars higher up the line were laid up for some time owing to the accident; but eventually a tram from North Shore was able to proceed to the spot and push the damaged car down to the loop at Mosman's Bay. Luckily no one was hurt by the mishap.

MME. MELBA.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

Madame Melba held a concert on Wednesday evening. The house was crowded. All the members of the company were well received, especially Mr. F. Ranalow. To-day Mrs. T. H. Irwin (Mayoress) held a reception to meet Madame Melba, some 70 ladies and gentlemen being present.

THIRD EDITION.

ESSEX RETURN MATCH.

COUNTY THREE FOR 93.

LONDON, Sept. 2, 2.40 p.m.

The Australians commenced the return match against Essex at Leyton.

Sunshine prevailed, but the wicket was soft. There was a moderate attendance.

The teams are:—

Australia:—P. M'Alister (Capt.), S. E. Gregory, V. Trumper, A. Cotter, H. Carter, C. G. Macartney, W. Bardsley, A. J. Hopkins, V. Ransford, J. A. O'Connor, W. J. Whitty.

Essex:—C. M'Gahey, F. L. Fane, J. W. H. T. Douglas, Rev. F. H. Gillingham, R. T. H. Turner, Gibson, W. Mead, Carpenter, W. Reeves, C. P. Buckingham, R. A. Young.

Essex won the toss and opened with Douglas and Fane to the bowling of Cotter and Macartney. Runs came apace, and at 50 O'Connor relieved Cotter. The change was immediately successful; Fane, 19, tipping O'Connor's first ball to second slip, where Cotter held it. One for 50.

Douglas, 20, was joined by Turner, who was taken at the wickets by Carter off O'Connor's third ball. Two for 50.

M'Gahey filled the vacancy, and as he was lame a man ran for him. Douglas, when 33, played O'Connor on to his wicket. He had played carefully, and had been at the wickets 100 minutes. M'Gahey was 18. Three for 81.

Gillingham succeeded, and at lunch the total was 98, M'Gahey being 21 and Gillingham 9.

Scores:—

ESSEX.—First Innings.

J. W. H. T. Douglas, b O'Connor	32
F. L. Fane, c Cotter, b O'Connor	19
R. T. H. Turner, c Carter, b O'Connor	9
C. M'Gahey, not out	21
Rev. F. H. Gillingham, not out	9
Sundries	11
Three wickets for	93

THE M'MYLER HOIST.

A SERIOUS BREAKDOWN.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE DONE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

Ill fortune continues to pursue the M'Myler hoist, which has been meeting with accidents of one sort or another almost ever since its erection, and this morning it was put out of action by a breakdown of a more serious nature than any which has previously occurred. The machine had been at work all night loading the steamer Period, and at about 7 o'clock this morning had just completed the loading of one of the hatches. Preparations were then being made for moving the vessel, so that the next hatch could be brought under the chute. To do this the telescopic chute and the pan into which the coal is tipped had to be tilted up, so that the masts and funnel of the steamer would not be interfered with, and it was whilst this was being done that the accident occurred.

The weight of the chute and the platform on which the trucks of coal are run rests mostly on two strong steel screws, by means of which the pan is raised or lowered to the required height. These screws are about 20ft long and 6in or 7in in diameter, and apparently strong enough to resist an enormous pressure.

When the weight of the pan was thrown on them this morning, however, there was a sudden grinding crash, and the telescope at the end of the chute sprang up in the air, and the pan and truck platform were seen to drop several feet. The crash of the machinery could be heard about a quarter of a mile away, and many of the huge iron beams and plates were badly bent or broken. As soon as an examination could be made it was found that the thread of the screw on the right-hand side had been stripped for about a foot in length. This had suddenly thrown the whole weight of the pan, about 20 or 30 tons, on to one screw. It was not strong enough to withstand the pressure, and was torn out from its fastening and twisted like wire. The other screw then gave way, and the pan settled down on to the upright legs of the hoist, where it became jambed.

The platform, on which two trucks were resting, and which is supported largely by strong steel cables connected with the chute, was also tilted over, and it broke through the supports on which it usually rests.

Fortunately, the accident was not attended by any injury to the workmen operating the hoist. Had it occurred whilst the machine was at work loading one man at least would in all probability have been killed. This man has charge of the telescope, and to operate the levers connected with it he occupies a small cage at the extreme end of the chute. This cage was carried with terrific force to the top of the hoist, where it was jambed against the framework, and had anyone been on it at the time he would certainly have been seriously injured, if not killed. Workmen were at once put on to repair the damage, but it is likely to prove a task of considerable magnitude, and the officer is unable to say how long it will be before the machine is able to work again. The parts of the machine which are broken will probably be replaced with duplicate parts from the other hoist, which are lying at Newcastle.

Mr. R. L. Rankin, of the engineering staff of the Railway Department, arrived here this afternoon to supervise the work. It is difficult at present to give an estimate of the damage done, but it will probably run into some hundreds of pounds.

Officials of the Railway Department who have examined the hoist since the accident state that a small nut first gave way and threw the whole of the weight on to the screws supporting the pan. These could not stand the pressure, and the thread stripped, allowing

PORTLAND STRIKE.

500 MEN GO OUT.

THE WORKS CLOSED.

PORTLAND, Thursday.

The industrial dispute at the cement works reached a climax this morning. As no satisfactory answer had been received by the quarrymen up to last night, they held a meeting, and decided that if their demands were not granted, they would not start work this morning. They want increases as follows:—Box-fillers, from 7s 2d per day to 8s; spawlers, 7s 6d to 8s 6d; drillmen, 8s to 9s. Dr. Scheidel, managing director, arrived by last night's mail.

The quarrymen proceeded to the quarry this morning, but declined to start. Over 90 men have been employed in that part of the works. A deputation from the men waited on Dr. Scheidel, and Mr. Saville, works manager, at 10 a.m.; The matter was discussed; but no satisfactory conclusion reached. The deputation having no discretionary power, would not take less than what was demanded.

Dr. Scheidel wanted the matter submitted to the wages board; and undertook to guarantee no reduction in any existing rate of wages, should the board determine to do so. He also offered to make the increase decided on retrospective as from the 4th instant. Dr. Scheidel asked the delegates to arrange a meeting of the men at 2 o'clock this afternoon; but this invitation was declined, on the plea that the men wanted to have a meeting amongst themselves during the afternoon.

Mr. C. Johnston, secretary of the union, stated at the conference in the morning that the strike had nothing whatever to do with the union. In fact, they disapproved of it; and that he was not present as the union secretary; but as a spokesman of the men, who had asked his assistance.

The raw mill and kiln hands have been laid off during the day. At 4 p.m. the cement mill and silo hands went out, and the whole of the works and the company's colliery are now shut down. In all over 500 men are directly affected locally.

Mr. Hoskins was at the cement works this afternoon, relative to supplies of limestone for the ironworks. No settlement has been arrived at.

STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER.

GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE COERCED.

In the Legislative Assembly yesterday Mr. Dooley referred to the strike at Portland, and asked the Premier for a definite statement as to when the industry would be brought under the Industrial Disputes Act.

The Premier said that through an oversight when the Act was drafted the men engaged in the cement industry were not placed in the schedule. Last week he announced that there was no objection to cement workers being included, and that he hoped to deal with the matter in the course of a fortnight. During the last few days the manager of the company had informed the men that if any delay occurred in the appointment of a board he would undertake to make any award retrospective, as to date from September 4. So that the men would in no way suffer whether the board were appointed this week or not. But for some unfathomable reason the men had decided to strike. A number were out, and a further lot were coming out that afternoon. The men had acted very foolishly, in view of the company's offer. They had taken the very worst course they could to try to be brought under the Act.

Mr. M'Gowen: The question is: Can the men get the protection of the Industrial Disputes Act? Will the Premier submit a resolution to-night, which we will allow to go through by concurrence, with a view to remedying the difficulty?

The Premier: There are two objections. If this House did pass a resolution to-night it would be ineffective, as the other House is not sitting. And there is a big principle involved. This Government will not be coerced by a strike.

THE LATE WALLABIES.

MORE DEFECTIONS.

NINETEEN "CONVERTS" IN TRAINING.

Last night no fewer than 19 union players were present in the pavilion at Wentworth Park training and being coached for league matches.

Four members of the Wallabies who have gone over to the league, Dix, M'Intyre, M'Murtrie, and Gavin, and four country players, were cited to appear before the New South Wales Rugby Union yesterday afternoon. There was no appearance. The four men mentioned are not under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Rugby Union, but as members of country unions, are under the control of the parent body.

The players who were suspended on Wednesday night have received registered letters to attend at the Metropolitan Union rooms this evening to answer charges relating to professionalism

MR. O'SULLIVAN RESIGNS.

OPPOSED TO LATER REVELATIONS.

PLAYERS "AS WILD AS ZEBRAS."

In reply to questions on the reasons for his resignation of the presidency of the Football League, Mr. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., said, yesterday:—

"Some of the members of the League have been made very enthusiastic over the great success of their organisation, and are inclined to rush off and do things on 'their own.' It now transpires from the replies given to questions put by members of the Metropolitan Rugby Union, and published this morning, that the whole of the movement to bring about a match between the Wallabies and Kangaroos was promoted by a few young men, who had no official authority for their action, and who (with one exception) would have had no responsibility in case of failure. With their friends in the League, and some of whom were apparently not fully acquainted with the terms of the agreement, they carried a motion to ratify an ambiguous letter bearing upon the matter. Though I voted against the ratification, I said I would help them to make the match a success. After the disclosures in the morning papers, however, I saw that that would be a wrong thing to do, and therefore withdrew my support and resigned.

"I do not object to professionalism if it is properly controlled. As we have professional cricketers who play with amateurs, why not allow professional footballers to do the same? Some of the clubs in Great Britain do that, and no harm comes from the union. Let us get the best men from any walk in life.

"Some of the League players are wonderful footballers, with a vim and enthusiasm that carries them to victory; but in the matter of discipline, debate, and procedure they are as innocent as babes, and as wild as zebras."

UNION BARRACKERS FEARED.

POLICE PRECAUTIONS FOR SATURDAY.

There has been a lot of rumours as to the match on Saturday being interfered with by barrackers, and as a consequence the New South Wales Rugby League has taken special precautions to prevent anything of the kind happening. The league is in communication with the Inspector-General of Police, and no doubt ample provision will be made for police protection.

TEAM CHOSEN.

The following have been chosen to represent the Wallabies in to-morrow's match:—

Full-back: Dix.

Three-quarters: Russell, Hickey, Farnsworth, and Mandible.

Halves: McCabe and McKivat.

Forwards: Barnett, McCue, A. Burge, P. Burge, Craig, and McMurtrie.

Emergencies: Forwards, Gavin and McIntyre; back, Jubb, and another whose name will not be known unless he actually plays.

The referee will be Mr. H. M. Poulton.

SCENE IN A CIRCUS.

AN UNREHEARSED INCIDENT.

GRENFELL, Thursday.

Just at the close of Wirth's Circus performance last evening Lady Morton in the high jump got out of control of her rider, and jumped into the audience space. Several fainted. At first it was thought that one lady was seriously hurt, but she is now all right.

THE SHEILA REFLOATED.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A message was posted on the shipping board at the G.P.O. to-day to the effect that the motor launch Sheila arrived off Burnett Heads at noon on Wednesday.

WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS,
The Beverage that Benefits.—Advt.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT.

THE AMENDING BILL.

THE STATE'S PRESSING NEEDS.

FORCING PRIVATE SUBDIVISIONS.

The Minister for Lands, in the Legislative Assembly last night, moved the second reading of the Closer Settlement Amending Bill.

He said that the first legislation which provided for the acquisition of private estates was passed by the late Mr. Crick, and came into force in 1902. It provided for acquisition by purchase only, and no results were obtained. But it was fair to state that it had only two years' trial. In 1904 Mr. Ashton passed a bill for compulsory resumption; and from that time commenced the subdivision of large estates voluntarily by the owners, and by compulsory acquisition. Three estates were acquired by purchase, comprising 140,000 acres, which provided land for 320 settlers. Something further being necessary he (Mr. Moore) introduced and passed a bill in 1907. In that Act was embodied the principle that where estates bordered on new railway lines the Crown might acquire them at a price which excluded the added value given by the construction of the railways. As a result, during 18 months seven estates, comprising 280,000 acres, had been acquired, which provided land for 550 settlers.

Mr. M'GOWEN: What was the cost of those estates?

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said he would supply the figures at another time. Although a great deal had been accomplished it was practically impossible to continue to carry out the policy of closer settlement under the present methods as expeditiously as the urgent needs of the country demanded.

Mr. M'GOWEN (emphatically): Hear, hear.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: I don't know that that is a great discovery.

Mr. M'GOWEN: Not for us, but it is for you. (Labour cheers.)

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: We have accomplished a good deal more than the hon. member's party.

Mr. M'GOWEN: We have never had a chance.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: Your party dominated the legislation of this country for years, and boasted of it. Yet it never did anything towards closer settlement.

Mr. NEILSEN: Was there the same need for closer settlement then?

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said the need had not risen to-day or 10 years ago. If Parliament had done its duty 20 years ago the position of to-day would not exist. He had ascertained as far as he could, the results of the private subdivision of estates in the following land boards districts: Armidale, Dubbo, Forbes, Goulburn, Grafton, Hay, Maitland, Moree, Orange, Tamworth, and Wagga Wagga. In the cases of two estates of 17,713 acres and 13,901 acres, the results were nil. Kyogle, one of the best subdivisions, for some reason or other, did not appear on the list. No particulars could be given as to the number of settlers resident on Kyogle, but there were particulars relating to the Gloucester estate. One subdivision of 46,000 acres was sold in 247 blocks, there were 157 purchasers, and the number of new settlers was 60. Another subdivision of 9000 acres was divided into 23 blocks, which were sold to 12 purchasers, of whom six were new settlers. He did not know that these figures were absolutely correct, but taking them in the main the totals worked out that 1,208,000 acres had been disposed of in 3578 blocks, sold to 1663 purchasers, of whom 592 were new settlers. The number 592 was an approximation, but he had no doubt it was pretty close to the correct number.

Mr. NIELSEN: How many years do these figures cover?

The MINISTER FOR LANDS was not quite sure, but he presumed they covered the period since 1904. He was afraid there was a tendency to under-estimate the importance of this question, and to regard it mainly, if not entirely, from the point of view of meeting the demands or needs of individuals here and there who preferred to go on the land. This House had to consider a question of infinitely more importance than even the prosperity of the country's prosperity. They were charged with the awful responsibility of providing as far as was humanly possibly for the country's safety in a time of need; and that time might come sooner than was generally expected. (Cheers.) The only thing to do was to place as many people as possible on suitable land in the country, and have these lands occupied by a class which would not only contribute enormously to the country's prosperity, but also to the country's safety. The provisions of this bill went primarily the bringing about the subdivision of areas suitable for settlement—those areas which were adjacent to centres of population. It had been objected that they were differentiating between these lands and other lands, and the question had been asked why should the holders of these lands be placed under any particular obligation to carry out the policy of the country, while other holders of land were not placed in the same category. It must be admitted that absolute exactness or consistency in these matters was impossible. It might be asked why the Government did not resume other estates—why it did not take all or none. He took it that, broadly speaking, and in a rough and ready way, what Parliament was justified in doing was acquiring these areas first, and if there was any special legislation it should be in regard to those areas which were most suitable and most urgently required for settlement. A very little consideration would suffice to show that those lands adjacent to centres of population were most suitable for settlement, and most urgently required for that purpose; and in regard to them Parliament was justified in asking the owners to make a special effort to meet the Government and dispose of their lands.

Mr. LONSDALE: As long as they get a fair price for it.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: These were exactly the lands which were indicated by the Premier in his pre-sessional speech in the Oddfellows' Hall, when he definitely pointed out the principles which were embodied in this bill. The cry came from various parts of the country about land-locked towns, and the spectacle of towns which could not expand was familiar to every member who travelled in the country. There were cases where the public interest demanded that the expansion should go on, but where private estates arbitrarily prevented it. For the most part these lands could be disposed of in very small areas for closer settlement—for the closest kind of settlement. Very few acres would suffice for growing asparagus, for instance, and those areas adjacent to centres of population were the very ones which could be cut up into the minimum sizes, and provide for the maximum number of settlers. The value given to these lands was the value given by the general community, and no land was so dependent upon the general community for its value as that close to a centre of population. If population went away nine-tenths probably of the land value went too. If, on the other hand, some of these lands were made available for settlers under the operation of the bill, the increased population ensured would give an increased price to the land which the owner retained, and he thereby would receive some compensation. Where the owners showed any willingness to subdivide the Government tried to meet them in every reasonable way. But conditions were necessary. The result of private subdivisions hitherto had not been very satisfactory, therefore the Government stipulated that there should be certain conditions. Another point of the bill was that for 10 years the Government wanted to be assured that settlement on these private subdivisions was bona fide, and that tenant rights were conceded—something better in tenure than the share farmers had. In the next place, the Government wanted to have supervision for 10 years; but it would not, could not, guarantee what would happen after that.

Mr. McGOWEN: Hear, hear; that is the weakness of the Bill.

The MINISTER for LANDS: They could not discuss the graduated land tax in the bill, but he might incidentally remark that if such a land tax were imposed, it would not have the effect Mr. McGowen expected.

Mr. TREFLE: We don't admit that.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: There was nothing easier than to drive the proverbial coach-and-four through a Land Tax Bill. During the 10-year period Parliament and the country would have opportunity of seeing how the system was working, and no doubt if it were found by experience that some form of amendment was desirable Parliament would take the necessary steps to do whatever was necessary. The Minister proceeded to refer to the safeguard which made proclamations under the Act subject to Parliamentary approval. Amendments proposed would be treated by the Government in a most friendly spirit, provided they were not aimed at any vital principle. Members would be given the fullest opportunity to suggest amendments to make the bill more perfect. The Government would much prefer that the owners themselves should bring about subdivisions. The landowners were given every inducement to subdivide. In cases of appeals to the Court instead of, as at present, the Government being penalised in all the costs, if the owners got a little above the State offer the liability for costs would in future bear something like a reasonable proportion to the success or failure of the appellants. In the case of the Peel River appeal, the costs were something like £10,000.

On the motion of Mr. Nielsen, the debate was adjourned, and made an order for Wednesday next.

FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCE.

NEW SOUTH WALES' LOSS.

"MR. WADE'S NIGHTMARE."

LAND TAX INEVITABLE.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

Mr. Willis, M.P., addressed a large gathering at Rouchel last night, speaking upon the question of the financial agreement between the Commonwealth and the States.

He said: "In his regrets for not obtaining more than 25s per head of population, Mr. Wade conveys the wrong impression that no better arrangements was possible. He is misleading in stating that the sum of £2,500,000 proposed to be retained by the Commonwealth is a loss to the States. The disbursements for old-age pensions, quarantine, and lighthouse will cease to be a charge upon the States, which, together with the Dreadnought offer, to which New South Wales and Victoria were pledged, will account for the two and a half millions which the States would have to expend, if the Commonwealth Government did not do so. Mr. Wade says that the Commonwealth drove a hard bargain. This is nonsense. Would Mr. Wade have one believe that he would be able to evade the payment in future, that New South Wales has been paying since the beginning of constitutional government? From the agreement it is clear that the States' Premiers are desirous of preventing the powers granted under the Commonwealth Constitution from being exercised. Can it be possible that the Premiers would infer that the electors who return Commonwealth members and the State Parliament are other than the same people? In his nightmare Mr. Wade thought he could see the day approaching when the States would obtain less than 25s per capita, so he and his conferers bagged all that they could get at the conference. But in the scramble the smaller States made off with £700,000 of New South Wales money. This State has come out of the conference badly, owing to fright, flurry, and fiction. If the agreement as proposed be ratified, the State of New South Wales will have a shortage in the revenue of £700,000 per annum, which will necessitate the collection of direct taxation in this State. The Commonwealth commitments may at any Executive Council meeting be increased by two millions per annum, and nothing is more sure than the Labour Government that may at any time come into power, if even for a month, will gazette the payment of invalidity pensions, and there will be a deficit approximating two millions that they created by gazetting old-age pensions. This will force the Commonwealth Government also to direct taxation, as the States' Premiers will have absorbed the residue of Customs and Excise revenue under the 25s per capita agreement. The financial agreement hobbles both the Commonwealth Treasury and our State Treasurer, and must inevitably lead to double taxation upon land. There must for efficiency of government be one paramount authority, and the people by referendum directed the Commonwealth to occupy that position. The States' Premiers are by needlessome agitation forcing a condition of financial chaos. The financial agreement should be amended. It is not beneficial to New South Wales. It will necessitate fresh taxations, that could be avoided both in the Commonwealth and the State. The Commonwealth Government is related at having stolen the socialist policy of the Opposition in fixing the per capita payment at 25s, but in doing so they have to also adopt the corollary of imposing a land tax."

A CHILD'S DEATH.

HOSPITAL COMMITTEE'S ATTITUDE

REMARKS BY CORONER.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The coroner held an inquiry to-day into the circumstances of the death of a newly-born male child, whose body was found on August 16 in the back yard of a house in Lonsdale-street.

Samuel Pirani, solicitor, and president of the Women's Hospital, stated that Detective Sexton called upon him on August 18, and asked him to give certain particulars with respect to a patient who, Detective Sexton had reason to believe, had given birth to a child on August 16, and might have been admitted for treatment to the Women's Hospital. Witness advised the detective to make application to the hospital committee, inasmuch as the hospital regulations had laid it down that no information was to be given to the police with respect to any woman admitted into the institution for treatment. The matter was subsequently brought before the committee, but they regretted that they were unable to depart from their usual practice of giving no information with regard to the case.

The Coroner: When the police, as in this case, believe that a murder has been committed, do your committee still think they have a right to withhold information without assigning reasons?—Yes; they regard the hospital as a sanctuary for women.

The Coroner: Yes, and possibly a sanctuary for crime. Does the Government subsidise the institution?—Yes, by a grant of £2400.

The Coroner: Well, I have power to summon the resident doctor to my Court and secure the necessary evidence. I think the attitude of the committee decidedly wrong.

Detective Sexton said that the Women's Hospital authorities had for years declined to assist the police. In 1896 witness had effected the arrest of a woman who was subsequently sentenced to death for an illegal operation, through information given by resident doctors at the Women's Hospital. Since that date information had been consistently withheld.

"In a case of this kind," said the Coroner, "where a child has evidently been murdered, the Women's Hospital authorities should have assisted the police in every possible way. Any persons suspected of having been concerned in the child's death should receive no protection. This sort of thing has been going on for years, and the Women's Hospital authorities may have hidden away many crimes. The matter should be brought under the notice of the Chief Secretary. It is absurd to suppose that the police would do the slightest harm or cause inconvenience to patients at the hospital in pursuit of their inquiries. I shall subpoena the resident medical officer, as also the superintendent, at the inquiry, which I now adjourn to next Monday. If they do not give evidence I can deal with them for contempt of court.

MR. ATLEE HUNT.

DISCUSSION IN PARLIAMENT.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

When the estimates for the Department of External Affairs were under discussion in the House of Representatives to-night, the Secretary of the Department (Mr. Atlee Hunt) was subjected to much adverse criticism. Mr. Fraser (W.A.) moved,—"That his salary be reduced by £100." He said that Mr. Hunt was an unreliable officer. He came to that opinion by reason of several things the gentleman had done when he went to Western Australia to inquire into the illegal landing of Asiatics there. The first thing he did was to proclaim in the form of an interview his mission, which he should have kept secret. And that was not what they should expect from an officer holding the position Mr. Hunt did.

The Minister for External Affairs said that an unwarranted attack had been made on Mr. Hunt. He was a painstaking, zealous, and industrious officer. He was now in Fiji on his holidays. While there he might consult the authorities in regard to wireless telegraphy. When he went to Western Australia he did not go as a secret detective, but to inquire into the methods of the officers entrusted with the duty of carrying out the Alien Restriction Act.

Mr. Fraser's amendment was negatived on the voices, and the original salary was passed.

MAN OVERBOARD.

DECKHAND'S GALLANT CONDUCT.

The ferry steamer Kurraba was midway between Milson's Point and Circular Quay at 1.33 yesterday afternoon, when Alfred Line, 41 years of age, who lives in Forest-road, Hurstville, fell from the starboard side of the upper deck into the water.

A number of passengers witnessed the incident, and immediately the cry, "Man overboard," was raised. William Moralas, one of the younger deckhands, with clothes, boots, and all on, ran to the stern of the boat and dived over the rail. Constable Dobbie, one of the Water Police, who was travelling on the boat, ran upstairs and informed the captain. It was about a minute and a half before the boat could be put back to the spot where Moralas was supporting the other man, who was thoroughly exhausted. A rope was thrown, and the two hauled on board. A Watson's Bay and a Lavender Bay boat stood by, but their help was not necessary. Constable Dobbie and others rendered first-aid to Line, and the New South Wales Ambulance, which was summoned, then took him to Sydney Hospital, where he was admitted.

The deckhand's action heartily commended itself to the passengers of the Kurraba. One lady went along with a half-sovereign, which she insisted he should accept. Other passengers took the same view, and a substantial collection was made.

STATE PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

STATE OF BAR HARBOURS.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. M'FARLANE moved the adjournment of the House to draw attention to the need for more bar-harbour dredges. He said that in some of the rivers navigation had been blocked for several weeks at a time. The plant at the department's disposal was altogether inadequate. A better class of dredges was wanted. The present ones were too small. One or two dredges, such as were used at Durban and other places in South Africa, should be procured. They were costly, but the money would be well spent. Navigation on the northern rivers had not been during the last 14 years as regular as previously, and until the breakwaters were extended far enough to get rid of the accumulations of silt the use of sand punt dredges must continue, while a larger and more efficient class of dredge should be provided. Silt was now taken up from one place and dumped down in another, but if the dredges could take up the silt and deposit it in shallow water or on shore a good deal of land could be reclaimed.

Mr. HINDMARSH said that owing to the absence of floods in the northern rivers for the last 14 or 15 years the work had got ahead of the department at all river entrances north of Newcastle.

Mr. MILLARD said he had thought of moving the adjournment on a similar subject, because the people on the South Coast suffered from like disabilities. However, the Minister was fully seized with the facts and the necessities of the case.

Mr. PRICE said the Manning River entrance required special attention. The dangers of these bars were now so great that insurance premiums were prohibitive, and there was danger not only to property, but also to life for those who had to negotiate them.

Mr. BRINER said the Nambucca River had been blocked for two months at a time during the last year, and on the Bellinger communication with Sydney had been cut off for 10 weeks. More dredges must be obtained.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS said that for some time the superintendent of the Fitzroy Dock had had the plans of a new dredge in his hands. He reminded the House that when, as a matter of emergency, he purchased a dredge in England, as the rivers were silting up, he was arraigned for doing so. The Government was satisfied that they could build a dredge here quite as good as, and better than, they could purchase elsewhere, and one equally adapted to the requirements of these northern rivers, and at the same cost.

Mr. M'GOWEN: We can get dredges built in this country, and we want the Government to build them.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS said the dredge purchased by the Government was an immense success, and he believed they were capable of building one just as good at a much lower price. He had the designs ready, but could not go on with the work because it would cost more than £20,000, and must therefore be submitted to the Public Works Committee. If it were not for that the dredge would be on the stocks to-day. If they had ten dredges in order it would be impossible to keep open the entrance to some of the northern rivers.

Mr. J. STOREY said that the Minister for Works would be justified in bringing down his proposal at once, and providing work for those who required it.

Mr. DAVIDSON commended the Minister for Works for what he had already done under great difficulties. Still, he could not help thinking that if the rivers at this end, as other country in the world, they would be considered most important means for sending produce to market, and would never have been allowed to get into such a state.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN supported the motion, but held that not one dredge but five or six should be provided.

Mr. EDDEN thought the Government was neglecting the rivers in anticipation of big profits from the North Coast Railway. He was surprised that nothing had been done at Lake Macquarie, where there was no bridge and no railway.

The motion was negatived.

IMPROVEMENT LEASES CANCELLATION (DECLARATORY) BILL.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS moved the second reading of the Improvement Leases Cancellation (Declaratory) Bill. There was little he could add to what he had said on the previous evening concerning the provisions of the bill, but clause 3 provided for the rights of the lessees, who had been technically deprived of the enjoyment of the lands for a period of 30 days. That was the total extent of any claim which they might have against the Crown, and he did not anticipate that there would be any great sum to be paid for that.

Mr. PRICE: Are you making any provision for the men who applied after the expiration of the 60 days for those lands?

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: No provision was being made for them. One of these men was a nephew of one of the preferential occupation license holders, another was the son, and in all there were not more than five or seven of them. He had his own opinion about the bona fides of these men.

Mr. PRICE: You advised some of the lessees to apply again at the end of the 60 days?

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: Yes, when it was found that there was a contest the Lands Department advised the lessees to put themselves on the right side and make another application for the holding, which had been confirmed to them by the Land Board. It was done with the intention of making assurance double sure. The Government, from the very first day of the trouble, said it would stand by the settlers whom it had placed upon the land, and it had done so. He moved the second reading of the bill.

Mr. TREFLE said that clause 3 as it stood was a dangerous clause, and would leave the way open for considerable litigation. That clause allowed the lessees to claim for the loss of their leases for 30 days. It would be better to leave the cases in the hands of the Ministers with powers to settle with the men. The only men deserving of consideration were those who had been kept out of the use of their land during the past 12 months. A most disgraceful thing was the way circulars had been issued in the House to mislead members.

Mr. Price and Mr. J. Miller objected to the Minister for Lands trying to override by validating bills the decisions of the Full Court and the High Court.

Mr. BRINER had doubts about the bill, which had not been dispelled by the Minister's speech. There must be something in the Minister's mind the House did not know of which impelled him to fight the decision of the High Court, and give preferential treatment to certain people. He would vote against the bill.

Colonel ONSLOW could not find it in his conscience to vote for the bill. It was a radically bad principle of legislation. It was going behind the law courts.

Mr. FITZGERALD supported the Minister. But he considered he should have gone further and provided compensation for the men deprived of their land for over 12 months.

Mr. PETERS considered the validating bill was necessary.

Mr. M'GOWEN held that the Government was closing the law courts to certain citizens, thus depriving them of their inherent rights.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said that the question of notice was sent to the Crown Solicitor in the ordinary way, and he referred it to counsel.

The second reading was agreed to, and the measure committeed.

Clause 3.—Serving of claims for unlawful occupation.

Mr. TREFLE thought the clause should state that no claim should be entertained if not made within two months. He feared that as it stood the Courts would hold that the bill did not prevent anyone from applying after the lapse of that time.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS promised to look into the question, and if necessary, he would recommit the bill, and alter the clause. In answer to Mr. M'Gowen, he said the new lessees would be reinstated in the use of the land the moment the Act became law.

The clause was agreed to by 30 votes to 18.

The remaining clause was passed, and the bill reported without amendments.

FORESTRY BILL.

On the motion for the third reading of the Forestry Bill, Mr. Price moved that the bill be re-committed. Debate covered three-quarters of an hour, and the motion for the re-committal was defeated by 34 votes to 18. The bill was passed and ordered to be sent on to the Legislative Council.

MOTOR TRAFFIC BILL.

The bill was read a third time, and returned to the Council.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 1.5 a.m. adjourned until Tuesday afternoon.

DOCTORS:

Medical Man: Jobson has done the meanest thing I ever heard of. He came to my house the other night, ate a big dinner, got indigestion, and then went to another doctor to be cured.

FISHER'S PHOSPHERINE AGAIN.

Eight drops in water after meals is the greatest aid to DIGESTION and speediest cure for HEADACHE KNOWN.

An efficient doctor at small cost.

All chemists, 1s per bottle; four times the quantity, 2s 6d. If you pay 2s per bottle you cannot get a better Tonic for INDIGESTION and HEADACHE than FISHER'S PHOSPHERINE.

Be sure and get "FISHER'S."—Advt.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—Sept. 2.

Bovic, s, 6883 tons, Captain Kearsey, from Liverpool, via Melbourne. Dalgety and Co., Ltd., agents.

Wollowra, s, 2631 tons, Captain Brissenden, from Cairns, Townsville, Bowen, Mackay (Flat Top Island), and Brisbane. Passengers: Saloon 26, steerage 41. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Marloo, s, 2688 tons, Captain Kerr, from Melbourne, en route to Cairns, via Brisbane and ports. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Perth, s, 1799 tons, Captain Roy, from Adelaide and Melbourne, via Eden. Melbourne S.S. Company, Ltd., agents.

Cooeyana, s, 3922 tons, Captain Strom, from Adelaide, via Newcastle. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Manuka, s, 4505 tons, Captain Rolls, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Namoi, s, 1474 tons, Captain Warne, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H.R.S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Makambo, s, 1,120 tons, Captain Mortimer, from Newcastle. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Brundah, s, 884 tons, Captain Alley, from the Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Eden, s, 668 tons, Captain Walker, from Eden. Illawarra and S.C.S.N. Co. Ltd., agents.

Cavanba, s, 878 tons, Captain Anderson, from Byron Bay. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Macleay, s, 397 tons, Captain M'Laughlin, from the Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Duranbah, s, 984 tons, Captain Sinclair, from the Tweed River. North Coast S.N. Co. Ltd., agents.

Rosedale, s, 374 tons, Captain Anderson, from the Bellinger River. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Kerong, s, 219 tons, Captain Nicholsen, from the Nambucca River. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Duroby, s, 196 tons, Captain Coulter, from the Tweed River. Langley Bros., agents.

Tuncurry, s, 9, Captain O'Bierne, from Cape Hawke. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Wandra, s, 150 tons, Captain Richard Lucey, from St. George's Basin. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Astrel, s, 126 tons, Captain Benson, from Cape Hawke. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Kyogle, s, 702 tons, Captain E. Farrell, from Clarence River. North Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Peterborough, s, 159 tons, Captain Willis, from Shoalhaven. Illawarra and South Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Tintenbar, s, 667 tons, Captain Lundie, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—Sept. 2.

Captain Cook, pilot steamer, for a cruise.

Westralia, s, for Newcastle.

Perth, s, for Newcastle.

Radina, s, for Cairns, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—September 3.

Makambo, s, for New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, via ports; Wollowra, s, for Melbourne; Peterborough, s, for Nowra and Bemaderry; Hawkesbury, s, for the Hawkesbury River, Pittwater, and Newport; Woy Woy, s, for Gosford, Wyong, and Brisbane Water; Moruya, s, for Wollongong, Kiama, Bateman's Bay, Nellingen, and Ulladulla; Eden, s, for Bermagui, Merimbula, Tathra, and Eden; Friendship, s, for the Tweed River; Rosedale, s, for the Manning River; Hunter, s, for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—Sept. 2.

Westralia, s, 2884 tons, Captain Kell, for Newcastle.

Perth, s, 1799 tons, Captain Roy, for Newcastle.

ENTERED OUTWARDS.—Sept. 2.

Marloo, s, for Queensland ports; Wollowra, s, for Melbourne; Bovic, s, for Westralia, s, for Hobart; Germania, s, for the Marshall and Caroline Islands; Loch Tay, bq, for Adelaide.

MOVEMENTS OF OVERSEA STEAMERS.

Mongolia, R.M.S. (P. and O. service), from Sydney, bound to London, arrived at Colombo from Fremantle on Wednesday last.

Neumunster, s (German-Australian line), left Hamburg on Saturday last for Fremantle and Adelaide, and is due at the first-named port on October 18.

Oberhausen (German-Australian line), left Algoa Bay on Friday last, en route from Hamburg and Antwerp to Sydney, and it due at Melbourne on the 16th inst.

PACIFIQUE LEAVES NOUMEA.

The island steamer Pacifique, belonging to the Messageries Maritimes, left Noumea at 9 o'clock on Wednesday night for Sydney direct, and is due here on Sunday evening.

CHANGHA DUE ON SUNDAY WEEK.

The China Navigation Company's steamer Changsha was due to leave Port Darwin on Wednesday last, and after calling at the usual Australian ports, is due to arrive in Sydney on the 12th instant. After extending her visit here on the 20th, and calling at Melbourne, she will return here on the 25th, and will leave again for the East on Saturday, the 25th, at 10 a.m., calling at the usual Australian ports (omitting Port Darwin). The Changsha is due to arrive in Hongkong on October 18.

MAKAMBO FOR ISLANDS TO-DAY.

Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, will despatch their island steamer Makambo from the Federal wharf at noon to-day for the Solomon Islands and Papua, via Brisbane. The following is a list of her passengers:—Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Miss Young, Mr. F. Snowball, Mr. G. H. L. Harris, Mr. W. T. Cratchely, Mr. E. L. Dawson, Mr. A. H. Gauld.

THE OVERHAUL OF THE KARUAH.

The Karuah on arrival at Sydney on Tuesday morning will proceed to Mort's Dock for overhaul, and her place in the Sydney-Port Stephens trade for about one week will be taken by the Hawk, which vessel will be withdrawn from the Newcastle-Port Stephens trade for that purpose.

The Waratsen will take up the running of the Hawk.

THE UPOLU, FROM THE ISLANDS.

The steamer Upolu, belonging to Levers' Plantations, Limited, which for several months past has been cruising in the South Seas, signalled Cape Moreton at 5 p.m. yesterday on her return voyage to Sydney. She should arrive here to-morrow evening.

BAR HARBOURS.

The following telegrams were received yesterday respecting the condition of the various bar harbours:—Cape Hawke, bar 26ft at high water; Camden Haven Heads, 7ft on bar at day tide, 7ft 9in on bar at night tide; Manning Heads, 18ft on bar, 30ft on inner channel, 9ft on crossing; Richmond River Heads, 10ft on bar, 11ft on crossing; Nambucca Heads, bar channel straight out, 7ft 3in at high water, rise of tide 8ft 3in; Tweed Heads, bar 7ft 9in, inner bar 8ft, rise 8ft 3in, crossing 11ft 7in, channel still working north, narrow and intricate.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING.

THURSDAY ISLAND (2000m).—Dep: Sept. 1, Morosby, s, for Port Moresby.

POINT ARCHER.—Passed: Sept. 1, Stephanctis, s, from Calcutta, bound to Newcastle.

CAIRNS (1600m).—Arr: Sept. 1, Wyreema, s, from Brisbane.

TOWNSVILLE (1370m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Grantala, s, from Cairns. Dep: Sept. 1, Hopewell, s, for Maryborough.

FLATTOP ISLAND (1125m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Innamincka, s, and Oooma, s, both from Sydney. Dep: Sept. 1, Dilkera, s, for Sydney.

ROCKHAMPTON (990m).—Arr: Sept. 1, Civility, s, from Iron Island. Sept. 2, Mullima, s, from Brisbane. Dep: Sept. 1, Queensland, s, for Brisbane; Time, s, for Brisbane.

BURNETT HEADS.—Arr: Sept. 1, Sheila, motor launch, from Bundaberg.

BUNDABERG (717m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Musgrove, s, from Brisbane.

MARYBOROUGH (664m).—Dep: Sept. 2, Tinana, s, for Brisbane.

BRISBANE (500m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Burwah, s, Solinger, s, and Yodogo, s, all from Sydney; Grantala, s, from Cooktown; Bingera, s, from Townsville. Dep: Relic, sch, for Mourilyan Harbour.

CAPE MORETON (472m).—Passed: Sept. 2, Upolu, s, bound for Sydney; Waratah, s, under way, and entered Moreton Bay at 4.30 p.m.

TWEED HEADS (874m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Premier, ktch, at 9 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: Sept. 2, Mokau, s, at 9 p.m., for Sydney. Passed: Sept. 2, a two-masted str, at 6.40 a.m., north; a two-masted str at 7.40 a.m., south.

BYRON BAY (846m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Orara, s, at 6.30 a.m., from Sydney.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS (837m).—Arr: Sept. 1, Rocklily, s, at 6.30 p.m., from Brisbane. Passed: Sept. 2, a str, like the Colac, at 12.35 p.m., south.

CLARENCE HEADS (1290m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Kallatina, s, at 5.45 a.m., St. George, s, at 4.58 p.m., both from Sydney. Passed: Sept. 2, Rostock, s, at 3.30 p.m., north.

SOUTH SOLITARY ISLAND (1250m).—Passed: Sept. 2, a large German str at noon, St. George, s, at noon, Gularie, s, at 1.45 p.m., a str, white funnel, black top, at 5.30 p.m., all north; one of Howard Smith's str at 7.30 a.m., a str at 5.30 p.m., both south.

COFF'S HARBOUR (930m).—Arr: Sept. 2, St. George, s, at 9.30 a.m.; Coolcon, s, at 1 p.m., both from Sydney.

BELLINGER RIVER HEADS (830m).—Dep: Sept. 2, Our Kids, s, during the night. Sept. 2, Eureka, s, at 9.45 a.m., both for Sydney.

MACLEAY RIVER HEADS (909m).—Arr: Sept. 2, Yulgilbar, s, at 7.40 a.m.; Eureka, s, at 1.35 p.m., both from Sydney.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A good volume of business was effected on 'Change yesterday at firm prices. A.J.S. Bank "B" deposits raised 1/-; Manly Gas, 9/; Tooher's Brewery rose /3; Allen Taylor, /3; and Australian Newspaper, /6; while Sargent's and 1/, other sales being at late rates.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Allen Taylor and Co., 27/6; Sargent's, limited, 29/; "Daily Telegraph" Newspaper, 4£; A.J.S. Bank B deposits, 13/; Toohey's, Ltd., 13/3. Afternoon: Australian Newspaper, 6/6; Bank of New South Wales, 4£10/; Tooth and Co., 44/; A.J.S. Bank deposits, 12/10s; Colonial Sugar Refining Company, £47/10/; North Shore Gas (new), 23/6; Balmain Coal, 49/; Manly Gas (new), 40/; Gilts (old), 45/.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. Per Annum.	Price. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
STOCKS							
N.S.W. 3½ dec 1912							
Do. dec 1912							
Do. dec 1924							
Do. dec 1924-5							
Do. dec 1915							
Do. dec 1927							
Do. dec 1923							
Do. Act 1873							
Do. Debentures							
Do. T. Bln. 1911							
Do. 1910							
N.Z. Deb., 1910							
Ditto, 1921							
Q. Deb., 1915							
Tas. T. 1910							
Can. Gov. D., '22							
City Syd. Deb.							
Cal. Sugar, D.'14							
BANKS.							
Australasia							
Bank of N. S. W.							
City of Sydney							
Ditto, new							
Com. of Aus.							
Ditto, pref.							
Com. of Sydney							
Int. Aus. ord.							
Ditto, pref.							
Nat. of Aus.							
New Zealand							
Q'land National							
Union of Q.							
Esmt.							
INSURANCE.							
A.M. Fire							
Ditto							
Australian Mutual							
Australian Prov.							
Australian Mutual							
Do. Mutual							
New Zealand							
Queensland							
Union							
GAS.							
Albury							
Australian							
Do. new issue							
Balmain Leases							
Ditto							
Ditto							
Do. Leases							
Brisbane							
Broken Hill							
Do. new							
Bunbury							
Coast							
Do. new Act 1873							
Do. Debentures							
Do. T. Bln. 1911							
Do. 1910							
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Ditto, 1921							
Dorrigo, T. 1915							
Gas Co., D., '22							
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Cal. Sugar, D.'14							
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Gas Co., D., '22							
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Cal. Sugar, D.'14							
BREWERIES.							
Aerated Bs. Hldgs.							
A. Taylor, Co.							
Aus. Nat. Mills							
Aus. Newspaper							
Ditto, pref.							
B.B.W. Supply							
Brook T.							
Burns, Philp							
Ditto, M. paid							
Cal. Sugar							
Ditto, pref.							
Can. B. Bal.							
Dorrigo P. pref.							
Ditto, ord.							
Dun P.C. R.M.							
Dun P.G. R.M.							
E. Sch. Co.							
Goodlet, Smith							
H. Jones, Dev.							
Ditto							
Ditto, cumg.							
Kauri Metropole							
Ditto, pref.							
N. Fibrelle							
Ditto, pref.							
N. Clark, Co.							
Ditto, pref.							
Nth. Trading							
Mut. of Perth							
Mort's Dock							
Ditto, pref.							
N.S.W. Ref. Co.							
New Zealand							
Q'land National							
Q'land Trust							
Perdriau, A.							
Ditto, B.							
Perm. Trust							
Perp. Trust							
Pat. Sol. Bod							
Ditto							
Q. Meat Ex.							
R. H. Gordon							
R. and Wrench							
Rus. Wayrood							
Ditto, cumg.							
Sargents, Ltd.							
Sly, Thomas							
Syd. Cyclorama							
Sydney Exch.							
Syd. Stipboard							
Ditto, cumg.							
T. Brewery							
T. Ex. and G.E.							
Tooth and Co.							
Wright, Heaton							
Wunderlich							
Ditto, pref.							
LAND and BD.							
Baymarket							
Ditto, Prov.							
Inter. Inv.							
Investment, Bldg							
S. Aus. L.M.							
COAL.							
Abermain							
Bellambi							
Caledonia							
East Greta							
Hebden Greta							
Hetton							
Hetton, pref.							
Ditto, 2 pref.							
Ditto, Trust							
M. Kembla							
Newcastle							
North Bulli							
Nelson							
South Greta							
Tale of Clyvedd							
Wallsend							
Waratah							
W. and B. Is.							
Ditto, new							
Ditto, pref.							

† Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. * Plus annual payments of 10/8 per cent. ‡ Ex dividend.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Stock Exchange was closed to-day on account of holiday for the show.

FINANCIAL.

COMMONWEALTH OIL CRITICISED.

Evidently the attempt of the Commonwealth Oil Corporation to raise an additional £300,000 to further develop its shale properties on the Blue Mountains of this State has met with some opposition. The "Financial Times" of July 24 wrote rather cautiously on the subject, in the following strain:—"The estimated profits as at June 30 next are put at £126,000 per annum, but there are no details to show how this total is arrived at. Most of the documentary matter of the corporation has been marked by a reticence which would appear to do its prospects less than justice. This is in marked contrast to the very full information usually given at the annual meetings. It certainly seems a pity that an effort was not made to supply something like a profit and loss account for the financial year just ended, so that investors could see on what expectations are based. Nor has any attempt been made to bring the capital expenditure down later than June last year. If any reliance at all can be placed on the general manager's report, there can be little doubt that the corporation holds properties of much actual and potential value, and that a great deal has been done towards developing them. To revert to Sir George Newnes's words, the corporation is now on a sound profit-earning commercial basis,' and is 'an actually earning company.' Yet there is absolutely no proof of this in the prospectus." Continuing, the same authority states:—

"To put it plainly, the directors expect the public to take a great deal too much for granted. This might be permissible in the case of a well-established undertaking with years of accomplishment behind it, but it is inexcusable in the case of a concern which has its reputation to make, which has never published a profit and loss account, and which has never paid a dividend on its shares. In these circumstances we are forced to regard the venture as a speculative one, and to say that in our opinion nobody ought to put money into the present issue who is not prepared to accept the risk of losing it. The enterprise may, of course, prove ultimately to be a very successful one. Assuming its experts not to be mistaken, it has obviously many ordinary factors in its favour and an excellent field for its operations. Should, however, the general manager's estimate be approximately accurate, and the accounts for 1909-10 show a profit at the rate of £125,000, we shall have the somewhat unusual example of a board who, in appealing to the public for funds, strangely neglected to make the best use of the information at their disposal.

NEW SOUTH WALES CUSTOMS COLLECTIONS.

The following is a return of the collections of the Commonwealth Customs collections for the State of New South Wales for the period from January 1 to August 31, for the years 1908 and 1909 respectively:—

Month.	1908. £	1909. £
January	387,273	340,418
February	400,846	380,934
March	420,234	451,931
April	354,135	365,895
May	324,172	410,047
June	369,654	356,600
July	442,256	428,155
August	392,823	446,546
	£3,091,111	£3,180,030

There has been an increase for the period of £97,927.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Regarding the local wool market, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, write:—

So far as actual transactions are concerned, the past week has been quiet. The demand, however, is good at rates on a par with those ruling at our last auction.

The daily manifests show rather limited arrivals, owing to the general rains which have fallen. Notwithstanding this, catalogues to be brought forward on the 14th, 15th, and 16th inst. will comprise an attractive selection of new clips, principally from western and north-western districts of the State, where shearing has been in progress for some time.

THE MARKETS.

Some private advices received in Sydney yesterday indicated a higher market in Calcutta for cornsacks; but others pointed to an unchanged condition. On spot quotations were substantially unaltered. Very little inquiry was being received for either cornsacks or brambags; but woolpacks were in rather brisk demand, some very fair business being done with Queensland. Oils, chemicals, and Eastern produce disclosed no quotable changes. In metal lines, fencing wires were firm, particularly galvanised. According to a private cable, the galvanised sheet-iron war had eased down somewhat on the American side. The manufacturers of some brands known to this market withdrew old quotations. Recent American business in sheetiron was done at a loss, and it was stated as likely that an effort would be made to renew the convention. British Columbian salmon prices were circulated among merchants. They proved to be much higher than was expected, being practically the same as for the leading brands put up by the Alaska Packers' Association. Wheat seemed a little firmer. General produce business continued quiet and steady. Potatoes were slightly better, as was bacon. Butter was quiet, weak on second qualities being very hard to sell.

EIGHT MONTHS' EXPORTS.

The Customs returns of the principal articles of export from the port of Sydney during the eight months which ended yesterday compare with those of the corresponding period of 1908 as follows:—

	Aug. 1909.	Eight months, Jan.-August. 1908.	1907.
Wool, bales	19,306	417,130	253,971
Skins, pkgs.	3,599	18,550	15,853
Hides, No.	30,349	179,099	172,567
Tallow, casks	4,903	29,064	15,674
Hides, loguets	10,504	61,091	69,548
Copper, ingots	242,447	1,329,237	1,160,508
Leather, pkgs.	333	6,443	5,673
Fresh meats, cases	26,332	120,425	45,405
Frozen mutton, carc.	64,322	340,729	267,185
Frozen beef, pcs.	122	4,284	1,971
Hares, rabbits, prs.	1,028,709	5,226,936	4,480,084
Hoofs and bones, cwt.	603	6,916	8,267
Horns, No.	77,782	630,671	664,433
Butter, boxes	9,075	146,203	188,068
Timber, super feet	624,945	9,802,777	8,089,655
Shell, tons	305	2,147	10,435

It will be noticed that the trade of the eight months of the current year shows an increase—in some instances a great increase—on that of the corresponding period of last year in almost every line, except tin ingots, hoofs and bones, butter and shell. The principal decrease was in the case of butter.

THE PRICE OF BRAN AND POLLARD.

Mr. Thomas M'Hugh, produce merchant, Sussex-street, writes:—"Under the heading of bran and pollard, your correspondent, 'One Who Knows,' endeavours to make a scapegoat of Sussex-street in condoning the existence and operations of the Millers' Association by contrasting the good old days when mill offal was sold at £2 10s to £3 per ton with the present year, when the price is £4 15s. It must be patent to everyone that the present year is quite an exceptional one in the value position of breadstuffs, and consequently mill offal and the values obtained by Sussex-street factors on behalf of country mills represented the fair result of supply and demand; but, while thus candidly manifesting the real object of their existence, the association endeavours to pose as the protectors of the consumers by refusing to accept the alleged advice of Sussex-street to put up the price of their mill offal.

"The sincerity of the association in this regard will be fully appreciated by the consuming public when I point out that about two months ago the association's price of bran for local consumption was £5, from which they would not budge, while at the same time they were booking orders for export at £4 per ton. At a later stage, when their local consumption was £4 5s, they persistently quoted this price in the press, but were unable or unwilling to supply countless legitimate orders, and as a consequence Sussex-street factors were making sales of the produce of country mills outside the association at from 5s to 7s 6d per ton above the alleged quotation of the Millers' Association. The object of these tactics is quite apparent to everyone familiar with the relations between the country mills and the association.

"No one denies millers the right to dispose of their wares to the best advantage, but there is such a thing as anti-trust legislation, and there is the question of the legality of a combination of merchants or millers foisting an artificial price on those who ought to have the first claim on their indulgence, viz., the local consumers, by offering a considerable proportion of their production at greatly reduced rates for export. It is a pernicious system, and if its application is extended to the trade as well the legislature in due authority will doubtless ask some questions, and this time Sussex-street will not be available to the Millers' Association as a stalking-horse."

BREADSTUFFS.

Although there was not enough activity in the wheat market yesterday to define levels, still there was a firmer feeling. The fact that further shipping fixtures had been made in Melbourne and Adelaide put a little more tone into those markets for the time being, and Sydney mildly responded. Holders were wanting 4/11 for parcels; but odd lots were still to be picked up at /1 to /2 lower, according to position and description.

The position of flour was unchanged.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 40 tons of flour were manifested to arrive. No wheat was manifested.

WHEAT LOADINGS AND STACKS.

For the week ended August 28 the despatches of wheat from country stations aggregated 13,707 bags, 7561 being from the southern, 1650 from the western, and 4357 bags from the northern lines. On the same date 136,219 bags were remaining in the stacks, which were distributed as follows:—

Station.	No. of Bags.	Station.	No. of Bags.
Temora	16,161	Corowa	15,281
Coolamon	10,885	Germanton	5,800
Berrigan	4,129	Parkes	7,945
Finley	387	Cowra	634
Lockhart	18,210	Greenthorpe	5,433
Henty	8,379	Manilla	550
Culcairn	1,700	Darling Harbour	62,956
Brocklesby	7,714		
Balldale	1,013	Total	136,219

On August 29 last year the stacks comprised 299,138 large bags, and at the corresponding period two years ago, 375,081 bags.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

TEA.

Ceylon teas by the mail showed very little improvement in quality, and were relatively very dear. The market on spot was quiet. Some sales of Indians were reported at /8 to /10d, and Ceylons at /8 to 1/-.

The amount of wool manufactured to arrive at Darling Harbour totalled 1388 bales.

EASTERN PRODUCE.

Rice: Best Japan, 4/2 to £2/5/ per ton; Rangoon, £9/10/ in bond; locally drumsd, £14/10/ to £20/10/ per ton in 56lb bags.

Sago: £13 per ton in parcels; £12/10/ in small lots.

Tapioca: Medium pearl, 4½d per ton in parcels; 1d per lb. in small lots.

Split Peas: £10/10/ in sacks; 8/ extra in 56's.

Seeds: Canary, £10 per ton in parcels; 20/ per cwt. in small lots. Hemp, 2½/ in parcels, Rape, 3½/ to 3¾/ per cwt. Linseed, 16/ per cwt. in small lots; ton lots, £16/10/. Mixed birdseed, 20/6 per cwt.; white millet, £15.

Spices: Cloves, 1/ per lb; nutmegs, /9 in cage lots, /10 to 1/ smaller quantities; mace, 2/ per lb; pimento, /6 to /9 per lb; currency seeds, /9 per lb. Pure white pepper, /8d to /10 per lb; mixed, /7; black, /8d per lb; pepper, /8d to /10 per lb; mixed, /7; black, /8d per lb. Stick cinnamon, 1/3 per lb.

Oatmeal: 7lb bags, £19/10/ per ton; flaked, 7lb bags, £20/10/ to £21/; 6lb packets, 8/ per doz.; rolled bags, £20/10/ to £21/; 6lb packets, 8/ per doz.; rolled oats, 4lb bags, £21 to £22 per ton, according to brand; in 2lb cartons, £25 to £28 per ton, according to brand.

Whole bleached ginger, in 10lb packets, /8½ per lb; ground ginger, /9; preserved, /7½ to /8 in 10lb packets.

METALS.

Fencing wires:—

Black German, ex store, No. 8 £8/7/6 to £8/10/, No. 10 £8/15/; American, No. 8 £8/10/ to £8/12/6, No. 10 £8/15/ to £8/17/6.

Galvanised: German, No. 8 £10, No. 10 £10; American, No. 8 £10/2/6, No. 10 £10/5/.

Barbed: Australian, 12-gauge £14/10/, 14-gauge £15; special 13-gauge £16/15/, 14-gauge £18/5/; German, £14/5/ and £15/15/; American Iowa, No. 12 £15, No. 14 £16/5/; long-distance English, £17/7/6 and £20/15/, for 12 and 14 gauge respectively.

Iron: G. G. Iron: First brands £17/17/6, second brands £17/7/6, third brands £17, in 9ft lengths; in 8ft lengths 15/ more; 10ft lengths, 20/ more than 9ft.

Plain G. Iron, 24, 26, and 28 gauge, first brands, £20; seconds, £19/7/6, and £19/5/6; 10/ less for second brands.

Bar iron: £10/15/ in ton lots; shoeing iron, £11/15/; shoeing steel, 15/ to 15/6 per cwt.

Sheet lead: £17/10/ in full rolls; sheet zinc, £20 to £20/10/.

Piping: Black, 75 off list; galvanised, 60; steam, 60 per cent. off list.

Guttering and downpiping: 40 to 45 per cent. off list.

Wire nettings: 42 x 1½ x 17, Australian, A grade £20/17/6, B £20/17/6; English, A £27/7/6 to £28/10/, B £26; German, best heavy £20 to £20/10/, 42 x 2 x 15½ x 18, Australian, £21/15/ to £21/10/; German, £21/15/. 36 x 2 x 14½ x 18, Australian £19/15/; English, A grade £21, B £17/15/ to £18; German, A £21, B £18. 24 x 2 x 14½ x 18, Australian £16, English and German £15/15/.

Wire nails: 5 to 7½ per cent. off list, according to parcel.

Tinplates: I.C. coke, 20 x 14, 14/8 spot, 28 x 20, 30/6; I.C. charcoal, 17/8.

Plaster: King's Windsor, spot, 16/.

Rabbit traps: 12in, 10/ per doz.; tank lots; 10/8 to 10/8 broken stock; Sidebotham's, 5/6.

Sheep shears: Standard brands, 32/6 to 34/.

Cartridges: 15-inch C.F., 72/6; 22 calibre R.F., black powder, 12/3 short, 14/9 long; smokeless, 14/8 to 20/8.

Explosives: Dynamite, 45/8; gelignite, 41/; gelatine dynamite, 50/6; blasting gelatine, 56/6 per case of 50lb; ordinary blasting powder, /8½ per lb. F'ine, first brands, double-tape, /8½ per coil, in cases of 200 coils; second brands, /6 per coil.

Cement: 11/ to 12/6, according to brand and parcel.

JUTE.

New standard cornsacks, spot and August shipment, 4/10 to 4/10½; September-October, 4/9½; old standard ditto, 7/9 delivered.

Brambags: 3/4 spot, 3/7 forward.

Woolpacks: 1/11½ to 2/.

Ore pockets: 2/7 for 18oz and 3/5 for 20oz spot.

CHEMICALS.

Soda: "G" grade, £10/15/ spot.

Cream of tartar: 95 per cent., /8, in parcels.

Citric acids: 1/4½ in parcels.

Tartaric crystals, /10½, powdered /10½.

Bluestone: Australian, £21 to £22/10/.

Borax: Powder, £19/10/; crystals, £18/10/, in parcels.

Flowers of sulphur: Parcels, £7/15/.

Carbolic: From 1/8½ to £12/10/, in parcels according to description.

Soda: Bicarbonate (Brunner Mond), £7/6/ 4's, £7/15/ 1's, in parcels; caustic, "Monopatt's, in parcels, £12/17/6 to £13/ spot; Greenbank's, in parcels, £14; silicate soda, liquid, £6/10/ for parcels, lump £8 parcels, to £8/10/ small lots; soda ash £7 to arrive.

Whiting: 65/.

Glucose: Liquid, £23/15/.

OILS.

Kerosene (per gallon): Snowflake, ex store Sydney and Newcastle, /10½ per gallon; engine kerosene, /7½ to /8½.

Motor car spirits: 1/8½ 4-gallon tins, 1/7½ 2-gallon tins.

Linseed oil (per gallon): First brands, raw 3/4, double-boiled 3/6; second brands, raw 3/3, boiled 3/5; local, 2/11 raw in casks, 3/1 in drums.

Turpentine (per gallon): Pratt's, 3/7; Pinetree, 3/5 to 3/6.

Olive: Italian, pure, 12/ per gallon, duty paid.

Castor: Spot, 2/10 in cases, 2/ in drums.

China: Pure, 4/7 (denaturised, under Customs supervision), 2/8 (in 4's) and 3/ (in 1's).

Cottonseed: Shanghai 5/, American winter drawn 5/3; denaturised, 2/10 (in 4's), 3/ (in 1's).

Rapeseed: No. 3/3; refined, 3/6. Colza: Recognised brands, 4/ to 4/6; in gallon tins.

Japanese Fish: No. 1 Yokohama herring, 1/6 on spot, £18 to arrive; No. 2 Kobe, No. 2 sardine, £15/15/ to arrive; No. 2 ordinary fish, 1/4 per gallon net.

Whale: Special pl. refined, 2/; Polar, 3/1.

Cod: Norwegian, 2/2; Newfoundland, 2/3.

Creosote: 1/5 per gallon; 2/8 in drums.

Whitelead: First brands, in cwts., £29 to £29/5/ per ton; in quarters, £30; second brands, in cwts, from £27 to £28, in load lots.

Redlead: First brands, £27/10/ (in cwts); second brands, £26; quarters, 10/ more.

Zinc, white: Australian, dry, £25 per ton, in parcels; £5/10 per ton in load lots, net. Best English brands, ground in oil, extra white £40 to £46 per ton.

Neatsfoot: Pure, 2/6 cask, 2/8 to 3/ drum; compound, 2/ to 2/2.

Stockholm Tar: Local, 5/6; in drums, load lots, smaller quantities, 5/9; local, 40-gallon casks, 5/; imported, 40-gallon casks, 9/; 4-gallon tins, 2/.

Flywlown sheep oil: Australian, 2/3, for distributing lots.

Olerine: 40-gallon casks, £21/10/ per ton, net.

Rosin oil: £19/10/ to £20.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

METALS.

LONDON, Sept. 2.

Yesterday's closing quotations were:—

Copper, spot, b £59/2/6, s £59/7/6 (15/ lower); three months, b £60/1/3, s £60/6/3 (13/9 lower); electrolytic, £60/15/-.

Tin, spot, b £137/10/, s £138 (£1/7/6 lower); three months, b £138/10/, s £139 (£1/15/ lower).

METAL MOVEMENTS.

COPPER.

	A year ago. Tons.	A month ago. Tons.	Aug. 31. Tons.
Supplies	53,800	41,086	42,186
Deliveries	53,600	41,556	39,158
Stocks	36,747	76,559	88,218
Afloat from Australia	600	4,900	3,500

TIN.

	A year ago. Tons.	A month ago. Tons.	Aug. 31. Tons.
Stocks	17,613	20,252	19,858
Deliveries	5,560	2,435	2,140
Afloat	6,991	5,707	4,727
Spot and landing	2,408	6,064	7,958

TALLOW.

	A year ago. Casks.	A month ago. Tons.	Aug. 31. Tons.
Stocks	10,675	4,099	5,276
Imports	5,517	3,001	3,322
Deliveries	6,281	2,823	2,145

VISIBLE AMERICAN WHEAT.

The visible supply of American wheat and flour east of the Rockies is estimated by "Bradstreet's" at the equivalent of 14,742,000 bushels for wheat, as against 14,766,000 bushels last week, and 26,781,000 bushels last year, and 67,229,000 bushels on September 2, 1907.

TALLOW.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., have received from their London house, under Wednesday's date, a cable relative to tallow as follows:—"Prices are unaltered since our last report, demand steady, at from 31/6 to 32/ per cwt.; beef, demand at from 30/6 to 31/ per cwt."

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Though business was resumed to-day after a holiday, nothing of importance transpired in the wheat market. Value is nominal at 4/6. Flour was unchanged, and bran and pollard had a fair output at /11 to 1/9.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Wheat was quiet at 4/6 for ordinary lots; 600 tons were sold for shipment at 4/6½. Butter was easier. Choice western was reduced to 1/. Other prime sold at /11 to /11½, and occasionally /11½.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

There was no recovery from the dulness which has been existing, as practically all departments are receiving only restricted attention from buyers. The potato market was almost the only one which exhibited a sign of revival, and this was due to the recovery which took place in the prices received at the auction sales on the previous day, together with a further advance of 5 yesterday, which made a rise of £1/5/ in two days. It could not be said that the prices for imported potatoes were better, because agents still found that even at the lower rates it was rather hard to effect sales. One reason why they were not moving off rapidly was that all the best have been picked out of the shipments, and it could not be expected that the remaining brands could meet sales so readily as a fresh shipment. For the best Tasmanian redskins one or two were asking as high as £8. Maize was meeting very little business at 4/. The chaff market was quiet, the immediate requirements of retailers being readily supplied. The Perth arrived with about 7000 bags from Adelaide and Melbourne. The consignments of the former brand were not more than 4000 bags, and for these last week's rates were well maintained. Onions were on the slow side. Choice bales of lucerne found good attention. Barley, peas, and oats were steady.

Current quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL MARKET.

Maize.—Local: Yellow 4/, white 3/10 to 3/11. South African: 3/10½ per bus.

Barley.—Victorian: Cape seed 3/2 to 3/3, feed 3/ per bus.

Peas.—Tasmanian: Blue 6/; grey, 5/6 per bus.

Oats.—Tasmanian: White, 2/7 to 2/8. Algerian: Milling, 2/3 to 2/4, seed 2/6 per bus.

Bran.—Local: £4/15/ per ton, /11½ per bus; pollard, £4/15/ per ton, /11½ per bus.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—South Australian: Prime wheaten, £4/10/ to £4/15/. Victorian: Prime wheaten, £4 to £4/10/, prime oaten, £3/15/ per ton.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian: £4 per ton.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian: £3/5/. Victorian: £3 per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: New green, £3/15/ to £4, old hay, £4 to £4/10/ per ton.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Redskins, £8 to £7/10/, occasionally £8. Victorian: Ballarat redskins, £6/5/ to £6/10/, Pinkeyes £5 to £6, Snowflakes £5 to £6 per ton.

Onions.—Victorian: Brown Spanish, £5 to £7, according to quality. Japanese: £9 to £10 per ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

A special brand of prime bacon sides was advanced /d, as it is reported that stocks were very light. Ordinary makes were meeting very good attention, and firm prices were being secured. The cheese market did not receive any notable response to the cheaper prices offering. There were close on 200 boxes of Queensland butter placed on the market, and the prices asked for the best of these ranged from 110/ to 112/, being 4/ to 6/ below the price for local butter. Although their market was 3/ below ours, the agents there did not seem too anxious to sell to our market, but were more inclined to export at the prices. The competition of local butter with these importations affected sales to a certain extent, although a fair day's sales was experienced. Medium and second grades were hard to sell. The Melbourne market was reduced, Western district butter selling at 1/ per lb. Eggs were not materially altered in price, but they were moving off rapidly.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Special favoured brands, 116/, best seconds 90/ to 100/; pastry 80/ to 90/ per cwt.

Cheese.—Local prime loaf, /6 to /6½, good /5 to /5½, rough /5, prime large /5 to /5½; special brands, 1/ to 1/8 per lb.

Lard.—Packets and small bladders, /6½; bulk, /6; special brands, in bulk, /6½; in 1lb prints, /7 per lb.

Bacon.—Prime factory, sides /7½ to /8, flitches /7 to /7½, middles /9; bacon hams, /9; single cloth hams /10; special brands, sides /8½ to /9; flitches, /7½ to /8½; middles, /9½ to /10; hams, in seed and double covers, 1/3; single cloths, 1/2 to 1/4 per lb.

Eggs: Northern river, /9; Southern and railway, /9½; suburban, new-laid, /10, choice to /10½; duck eggs, new-laid, /10 to /11 per dozen.

POULTRY.

The supplies of poultry were very light, and prices ruled firm for choice qualities. The top price received for guineafowls was 5/.

The following prices were received:—

Old hens, extra choice 4/6, choice 3/6 to 4/, good 3/ to 3/3; chickens, 3/6 to 3/; roosters, choice 5/ to 6/6, others 4/6 to 4/; mixed coops, choice 4/ to 4/6, others 3/6 to 4/; English ducks, 5/6 to 4/6; Muscovy ducks, 3/6 to 4/; drakes, 3/9 to 4/6; turkey gobblers, choice 16/, good 12/ to 13/, light 9/ to 10/; turkey hens, choice 7/ to 8/, good 6/ to 7/; guineafowls, 4/ to 5/; pigeons, 1/3 to 1/6 per pair.

APIARY PRODUCTS.

There was a moderate demand for honey at about late rates. Wax was quiet.

Current quotations were:—

Honey.—Western, 60lb tins, choice /3, extra choice /3½, good /2½ to /3; Northern river, /3 to /3½; rough and candied, /1½ to /2½.

Beeswax.—Prime clear 1/6, extra choice 1/3, dark 1/ to 1/2.

FIREWOOD.

Boxwood again sold steady at late rates, but mixed wood was hard to quit, although the prices did not show any material alteration. There were about 40 truckloads offered.

The following prices were received:—

Boxwood, 12/ to 14/; good, 12/ to 13/; stringy bark, 10/ to 11/9; ironbark, 10/ to 11/9; bakers' wood, best 11/, good 9/ to 10/ per ton.

AUCTION SALES.

REDFERN RAILWAY MARKET.

Fifty-one consignments of general produce were offered at the Redfern railway station saleyards yesterday morning, and of the total offerings 14 truckloads were passed in for private treaty. Chaff was firmer, but lucerne hay showed a slight weakness, and only a medium class was yarded. Potatoes were again firmer, and of 10 truckloads submitted two consignments failed to change hands. Choice table brought from 7/ to 7/3, prime 6/6, good 6/3, medium 5/. Choice chaff realised 5/, prime from 4/6 to 4/7, medium to good 3/5 to 4/3. Lucerne hay of medium quality sold at from 3/9 to 3/10, while lucerne chaff was disposed of at 4/. Derrick straw and wheat were unattended.

The sale was composed of chaff 20 trucks, lucerne hay 5, lucerne chaff 3, derrick straw 2, wheat 1, potatoes 10.

The following sales were effected:—

Chaff.—From J. Truslove, Bethungra, (11981) 4/5; ex Balldale, (12725) 4/3; Storey, Old Junee, (6359) 5/; (10074) 5/; (4251) 5/; McFarlane, Bomen, (10991) 3/10; Patterson, Germanton, (4071) 4/7; ——, (12278) 4/, wheaten p 4/; Hillier, Wallendbeen, (6117) 3/8; ex Carbolic From Yarrabandai, 44 r 12/9, 27 r 13/6, 27 r 14/; Kelly, Ganmain, (18552) 3/10, (8772) 3/11, (5438) 4/; W. A. Luoss, Coolamon, (12893) 5/, (11969) 5/, (8912) 5/; Scott, Orange, (5277) 3/9; ex Greenthorpe, (4244) 3/10; Cox, Bathurst, (12976) 3/4; ex Greenthorpe, (4559) 5/; (10074) 5/; (4251) 5/; McFarlane, Bomen, (10991) 3/10; Patterson, Germanton, (4071) 4/7; ——, (12278) 4/, wheaten p 4/; Hillier, Wallendbeen, (6117) 3/8; ex Carbolic From Yarrabandai, 44 r 12/9, 27 r 13/6, 27 r 14/; Kelly, Ganmain, (18552) 3/10, (8772) 3/11, (5438) 4/; W. A. Luoss, Coolamon, (12893) 5/, (11969) 5/, (8912) 5/; Scott, Orange, (5277) 3/9; ex Greenthorpe, (4244) 3/10; Cox, Bathurst, (12976) 3/4; ex Greenthorpe, (4559) 5/; Borax: Powder, £19/10/; crystals, £18/10/, in parcels.

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Whale: Special pl. refined, 2/; Polar, 3/1.

Cod: Norwegian, 2/2; Newfoundland, 2/3.

Creosote: 1/5 per gallon; 2/8 in drums.

Whitelead: First brands, in cwts.,

AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT.

THE ACCOUNTS FOR 1908-9.

STEADILY EXPANDING REVENUE.

The report of the Auditor-General for the financial year ended June 30, 1909, was presented to Parliament last evening. In his opening sentences the Auditor-General points out that while the outcome of the financial year 1908-9 has not equalled the totals shown in the previous year (1907-8) it has still attained results which prove that the State maintains its character for prosperity, notwithstanding a very serious drop of £235,214 in the revenue returned by the Commonwealth as compared with the previous year; and, as well, a loss of about £600,000 in taxation, owing to legislation passed in the financial year 1907-8, which can only, in the year under review, be estimated to have come into comparatively full operation. During the first half of the decade 1900-09 the annual revenue was exceeded by expenditure; during the latter half of the decade the expenditure was exceeded by revenue. The gross increase in the revenue during the ten years was £3,681,920, or 36.8 per cent., while the gross increase in expenditure was £2,812,834, or 27.83 per cent.

The large increase in the revenue returns was not wholly due to the increased Customs and excise returns from the Commonwealth, but largely to legitimate growth in the earning power of the various divisions of State revenue.

"When it is remembered," the report goes on to state, "that, dealing with purely State revenue, decreases have occurred through reductions and charges for services rendered, owing to legislative and other action, amounting, roughly estimated, to over £850,000 per annum during the period included for comparison, the flourishing condition of the State in its revenue-earning capacities is at once apparent. But on turning to the expenditure it is unfortunately found that this to a very large degree has also kept pace with the increase in earning power, as follows:—

	Year ended— 1899-1900.	1908-1909.	Increase.
	£	£	£
Total net expenditure..	10,104,126	14,726,321	4,622,395

The comparison is to a certain extent affected by legislative enactments, as the last-mentioned year has been largely increased, owing to the new funds established during the interval, which would amount to a total of £1,959,561, that sum having been transferred to accounts mentioned previously, or for increased sinking funds, and the figures for the year 1908-9, if brought into correct comparison, would show as £2,662,834 increase in annual cost.

The total sum brought forward as being the cash in hand on revenue account at the close of the financial year 1907-1908 was £1,676,924 2s 3d, which was made up by the actual excess receipts on the working of the year 1907-1908, £1,613,988 16s 3d, and a sum of £162,935 4s brought over from previous years. These were actual cash transactions. The actual position of the consolidated revenue fund at the close of 1907-1908 was:—

An excess of cash only	£1,676,924	2 3
With a contingent recovery of	86,163	3 8
Or, in all	1,763,087	5 11
On which there was a liability in Treasury Bills of	1,214,516	6 6
Or, an excess credit of	£548,571	5 5

The balance of the cash in hand brought over, after deduction of the contributions to the funds shown above—£1,500,000—left £176,924 2s 3d, which may be taken as the assistance given to the revenue of the year 1908-1909, being the result of previous years' workings.

RECEIPTS PROPER.

The State revenue did not reach the totals of the preceding years. Nevertheless, the actual collections were almost uniformly in excess of the amounts estimated. In considering the returns of the year 1907-8 with those of 1908-9, it must be borne in mind that the revenue of the former year was phenomenally large, and that consequently the latter year suffers in comparison. The collections by the Commonwealth, which were estimated in ways and means to return £3,000,000, actually amounted to £3,356,158, or an excess of £356,158 above the estimate.

Dealing with purely State revenue, the stamp duties returned £566,705, £58,539 less than the previous year, or £126,864 less than the receipts in 1906-7. The income-tax returned £202,369, or £12,914 less than 1907-8, and £81,053 less than 1906-7. Land tax gave £80,794, £88,095 less than 1907-8, or £264,703 less than 1906-7, while the difference in licenses was only trivial. It may be seen that the decrease in the revenue from these sources was wholly due to the reduction in taxation passed by the Parliament in 1907-8, which had almost come into full working during the year under review. There was a net reduction in Governmental receipts of £680,567. On the business undertakings there was an increase of £144,866. The revenue (proper) for the financial year 1908-9 was £13,625,071, or £335,692 less than that realised during 1907-8.

REVENUE DEFICIENCY ACCOUNT.

The total outstanding of the accumulated deficiency to the 30th June, 1908, was £1,214,516.

The deficiency bills actually outstanding at the 30th June, 1909, amounted to £914,516.

Against this debit there was held by the Treasurer the sum of £637,678, being the revenue cash in hand at the close of the financial year 1908-9.

TRUST ACCOUNT.

The money at credit of the trust account belongs to the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales. The amount has remained unchanged throughout the year, viz.:—£1,145,392 5s 4d. The figures shown must not be taken as representing the total sum due by the Treasurer to the Government Savings Bank, as it will be seen that under the special deposits account there has been a further deposit of £370,000 with the Treasurer. It will, therefore, be clear that in all the Treasurer out of his cash owed the sum of £1,515,292 5s 4d to the Government Savings Bank Commissioners.

The annual interest payable to the bank for this accommodation is £53,160. In 1908-9 a large portion of the money was not held for the whole year, but the sum of £35,082 was actually paid during the year as interest.

SPECIAL DEPOSITS ACCOUNTS.

The total balance remaining at the credit of these accounts on the 30th June, 1909, was £1,193,879 10s 11d, showing that the amount held in these groups had increased during the year by a total sum of £703,... 10s 5d. This increase is principally traceable to:—A new Savings Bank deposit account, £370,000; the increased deposits of the State Debt Commission, £188,000; increase in sundry deposits, £227,000; which, with the ordinary fluctuations in the working of the various accounts, made up the increased balance.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACCOUNT.

There was a sum of £410,004 brought over from the previous year, to which were added a grant in aid of £1,000,000, moneys received from portions sold of these and previous holdings amounting to £40,711, and sundry receipts of £9734, or in all £1,460,439.

From this total payments were made as follow:—Purchase of lands, £768,146; contingent expenses, £5133; sundry payments, £6256, making a total of £779,565; leaving the balance of £681,874 to be carried forward to the year 1909-10.

PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNT.

The receipts to this account during the year 1908-9 amounted to £827,773 8s 7d; which, with the balance brought forward, £744,692 2s 10d, left an amount for expenditure of £1,572,466 11s 5d; against which payments were made:—On account of public works and services, £917,052 12s 9d, leaving a balance to be carried forward of £655,412 12s 8d.

GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT.

The proceeds of the stock credited during the year amounted to £4,920,820, of which a sum of £462,734 was raised in Sydney and £4,458,086 in London.

The expenditure on works belonging to the State was £2,906,507, and on renewals and redemptions £3,240,800, in all £6,147,307, which with the debit balance brought over from the previous year, £691,933, makes the total of £6,839,239.

Dividing the total expended approximately under the heads of reproductive, partially reproductive, and unproductive, the following are the results:—

Reproductive—		
Railways and tramways	£3,127,033	
Water supply and sewerage	806,955	
Sydney Harbour Trust	115,948	
		£3,884,936
Partially reproductive—		
Water conservation, artesian boring, etc	223,636	
Harbours and rivers	22,321	
		245,956
*Unproductive—		
Public buildings and sites		47,635
		3,028,527
Less net credits (excess of receipts over expenditure—		
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GENERAL EFFECT OF THE TRANSACTIONS.

The general effect of the transactions during the year has been a considerable decline of the cash in the hands of the Government, and a rather pronounced reduction in the revenue receipts from State sources. The result, however, could not have been otherwise than anticipated, as it was known, when the Estimates were placed before Parliament, that the Federal Government had decided to retain moneys as a provision for the payment of old-age pensions, which otherwise would have been, in the ordinary course, returned to the State; and also that the full effect of the reductions in taxation which were passed during 1907-8 would probably be exhibited in the current year.

PUBLIC DEBT.

The debt proper at the end of the financial year 1908-9 consisted of:—

Debentures held by the Public	£5,071,230 0 0	
Inscribed and Funded Stock held by the Public	81,154,232 10 8	
Inscribed and Funded Stock Special Deposits Account ..	14,500 0 0	
Treasury Bills for works	1,250,000 0 0	
Ditto (redemption)..	1,902,900 0 0	
		£89,392,992 10 8

The Floating Debt consisted of:—

Treasury Deficiency Bills, 1895	£672,446 15 10	
Ditto, ditto, 1900 ..	55,179 4 8	
Ditto, ditto, 1903 ..	186,890 0 0	
		914,516 0 6
Total Public Debt		£90,307,418 11 2

The total debt was incurred on expenditure for works chiefly of a permanent character, as follow, viz.:—

Reproductive works	£71,423,746
Works for facilitation of traffic—Indirectly productive	7,856,419
Unproductive works	7,894,248
Total	£87,174,413
Amount not represented by works or existing improvements	619,785
Total expenditure from loans to 30th June, 1909	£87,794,198

The revenue produced by those services classed "reproductive" (after paying working expenses) amounted to £2,927,014, which, after deducting the interest charge on the cost of works transferred to the Commonwealth, from which there has so far been no return, was more than sufficient to provide for the interest on the total public debt incurred for purely State services.

The sum of £602,208 was expended during the year on both classes of pensions—an increase of £86,651, and the expenditure in connection with the administration and payment of the pensions was £25,141, which exceeded the previous year to the amount of £2567.

FUND FOR TEMPORARY PAYMENTS.

In report of 1906-7 attention was drawn to the many advantages which would arise by the establishment of a "contingencies fund, or fund for temporary payments," at the Treasury. The matter is again drawn attention to with the hope that favourable consideration will be given to this important suggestion. The sole requirement for its introduction is a small amendment in the Audit Act of 1902, whereby such a fund would be provided for statutorily as an interim account, out of which temporary payments could be made, without interference with the annual appropriations. The Treasurer, however, has power under section 18 of the Audit Act to establish a contingencies fund forthwith, if he were so disposed; but for the reasons stated in the previous reports it would not be judicious to bring the fund into existence until such was statutorily recognised. The fund recommended would take the place of the Treasurer's advance account, which, in conjunction with the London remittance account, and any other accounts wherefrom temporary payments are made, would be absorbed in or consolidated by the contingencies fund. If the Imperial accounts be examined, it will be seen that the system proposed has been in full operation for many years, and that its necessity and advantages have been fully recognised in the old country for many years.

UNDERWRITING OF LOANS.

The public indebtedness increased during the 10 years ended 1891 from 17 to 46 millions. Notwithstanding this rapid increase, and the frequent visits to London, the market rates paid by the Government for the 1888 and 1889 issues were considerably lower than those of the seven previous issues. Even the loan of 1891 was floated on better terms than the five issues of the period 1882-1885. The price of the 1893 (4 per cent.) loan certainly reflects the altered tone of the market, but even this issue was obtained on more favourable terms than the short-dated 4 per cent. debenture loan of £2,000,000 raised in 1905, as the cost to Government for the former was £4 4s 3½d per cent. (allowing for redemption) against the £4 6s 11½d per cent. paid for the 1905 issue. The cost per cent. of the February, 1909, loan (if the minimum date of redemption be taken) was £3 15s 8½d, against the £3 15s 7½d paid for the issue of 1908. The review shows that the State was able in former years to raise capital on terms conditions as favourable as those taken that the decrease in the revenue from these sources was wholly due to the reduction in taxation passed by the Parliament in 1907-8, which had almost come into full working during the year under review. There was a net reduction in Governmental receipts of £680,567. On the business undertakings there was an increase of £144,866. The revenue (proper) for the financial year 1908-9 was £13,625,071, or £335,692 less than that realised during 1907-8.

REVENUE DEFICIENCY ACCOUNT.

The total outstanding of the accumulated deficiency to the 30th June, 1908, was £1,214,516.

The deficiency bills actually outstanding at the 30th June, 1909, amounted to £914,516.

Against this debit there was held by the Treasurer the sum of £637,678, being the revenue cash in hand at the close of the financial year 1908-9.

TRUST ACCOUNT.

The money at credit of the trust account belongs to the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales. The amount has remained unchanged throughout the year, viz.:—£1,145,392 5s 4d. The figures shown must not be taken as representing the total sum due by the Treasurer to the Government Savings Bank, as it will be seen that under the special deposits account there has been a further deposit of £370,000 with the Treasurer. It will, therefore, be clear that in all the Treasurer out of his cash owed the sum of £1,515,292 5s 4d to the Government Savings Bank Commissioners.

The annual interest payable to the bank for this accommodation is £53,160. In 1908-9 a large portion of the money was not held for the whole year, but the sum of £35,082 was actually paid during the year as interest.

SPECIAL DEPOSITS ACCOUNTS.

The total balance remaining at the credit of these accounts on the 30th June, 1909, was £1,193,879 10s 11d, showing that the amount held in these groups had increased during the year by a total sum of £703,... 10s 5d. This increase is principally traceable to:—A new Savings Bank deposit account, £370,000; the increased deposits of the State Debt Commission, £188,000; increase in sundry deposits, £227,000; which, with the ordinary fluctuations in the working of the various accounts, made up the increased balance.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACCOUNT.

There was a sum of £410,004 brought over from the previous year, to which were added a grant in aid of £1,000,000, moneys received from portions sold of these and previous holdings amounting to £40,711, and sundry receipts of £9734, or in all £1,460,439.

From this total payments were made as follow:—Purchase of lands, £768,146; contingent expenses, £5133; sundry payments, £6256, making a total of £779,565; leaving the balance of £681,874 to be carried forward to the year 1909-10.

PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNT.

The receipts to this account during the year 1908-9 amounted to £827,773 8s 7d; which, with the balance brought forward, £744,692 2s 10d, left an amount for expenditure of £1,572,466 11s 5d; against which payments were made:—On account of public works and services, £917,052 12s 9d, leaving a balance to be carried forward of £655,412 12s 8d.

GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT.

The proceeds of the stock credited during the year amounted to £4,920,820, of which a sum of £462,734 was raised in Sydney and £4,458,086 in London.

The expenditure on works belonging to the State was £2,906,507, and on renewals and redemptions £3,240,800, in all £6,147,307, which with the debit balance brought over from the previous year, £691,933, makes the total of £6,839,239.

Dividing the total expended approximately under the heads of reproductive, partially reproductive, and unproductive, the following are the results:—

Reproductive—		
Railways and tramways	£3,127,033	
Water supply and sewerage	806,955	
Sydney Harbour Trust	115,948	
		£3,884,936
Partially reproductive—		
Water conservation, artesian boring, etc	223,636	
Harbours and rivers	22,321	
		245,956
*Unproductive—		
Public buildings and sites		47,635
		3,028,527
Less net credits (excess of receipts over expenditure—		
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THE HIGH COURT AND THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

(By T.R.B.)

II.

In the last article, the objections to the alternative appeal from the State Courts either to the High Court or the Privy Council, were stated. We now come to the second of the defects which were enumerated as belonging to the existing relations between the High Court and the Privy Council. This is the unsatisfactory nature of the provisions relating to appeals from the High Court to the Privy Council in constitutional cases.

2.—CONSTITUTIONAL APPEALS.

It has already been observed, but for the sake of clearness it must be repeated here, that the Federal Constitution draws a distinction with regard to Privy Council appeals between constitutional cases in which an "inter se" question is involved, and constitutional cases in which no such question is involved. In the former class of cases—those involving a question "inter se" (which will be more fully described later)—there is no appeal from the High Court to the Privy Council, except with the consent of the High Court itself. In the latter class of constitutional cases, i.e., those not involving an "inter se" question, an appeal will lie from the High Court to the Privy Council by leave of the Privy Council only.

The class of constitutional cases in which no appeal will lie from the High Court to the Privy Council without the consent of the High Court itself—which have been spoken of hitherto as "inter se" cases, is defined in section 74 of the Constitution in the following words:—"Any question, howsoever arising, as to the limits inter se of the constitutional powers of the Commonwealth and those of any State or States, or as to the limits inter se of the constitutional powers of any two or more States."

There are two observations to be made upon this provision. In the first place, it is very difficult to know exactly what it means. There were differences of opinion about it among the lawyers in the House of Commons when the Constitution was under discussion there, and there have been differences among lawyers ever since. It was strenuously argued by Sir Robert Finlay, for instance, in the Income Tax cases before the Privy Council, that the question whether a State could tax the salary of a Federal officer was not a question "inter se" within the meaning of section 74, although the High Court entertained no doubt that it was. This is only one instance of a doubt as to the meaning of these words, which has arisen in several important constitutional cases. It is obviously most desirable that the meaning of a section which is intended to deal with a matter of such great importance as the class of cases in which the decision of the High Court is to be absolutely final, should be as clear as possible. Owing to the infirmities of human language, and the resources of legal ingenuity, it is quite impossible to draft a section whose meaning cannot, under any possible circumstances, give rise to doubt. But the difficulties that have arisen in the interpretation of section 74 are due not so much to the inelasticity of language, or to the ingenuity of lawyers, as to the fact that the authors of the section themselves do not seem to have quite understood as to the cases which they desired to include. If they had been, they could certainly have defined the cases in which the High Court was to be absolutely final arbiter with very much greater precision and clearness than characterises section 74.

It is to be observed that this ambiguity is not merely a verbal defect. It must lead, and in all human probability must lead, before very long—to a serious judicial deadlock. It would be quite absurd to shut one's eyes to the possibility, already adverted to, that the High Court may, in any particular case, take one view of the meaning of the section and the Privy Council may take another. If this happens, the Privy Council may hear an appeal from the High Court, which the High Court may consider it has no jurisdiction to hear. In that event (unless the High Court is willing to accept the determination of the Privy Council) the result will be that section 74, which there is nothing in the Constitution to suggest that it should do), the Australian tribunal might, on the precedent of the Income Tax case, refuse to follow the Privy Council decision, and we should have a repetition, in another form, of the extremely inconvenient state of things which existed before section 74 was passed. This, it must be observed, is quite independent of the possibility of a deadlock arising out of the alternative appeal from State Courts, to which reference was made in an earlier part of these articles.

The second observation to be made about section 74 of the Constitution, is, that the class of constitutional cases selected by it, as those which should be finally decided by the High Court, is perfectly arbitrary. The classification has already been remembered by the Imperial Government, when the bill went home after the referendum in Australia. According to the clause adopted by the Convention, no appeal was to be permitted to the Privy Council, in any constitutional case at all, unless the interests of other parts of the Empire, as distinct from those of the Imperial Government substituted the clause which has been quoted. The principle on which they proceeded, according to a speech delivered in the House of Commons by Sir Robert Finlay, the then Attorney-General, was that questions as to the distribution of legislative powers between Commonwealth and States were questions that concerned Australia alone, and that therefore their final settlement might well be left to the High Court. Other constitutional questions, however, might according to this view, concern other parts of the Empire, and their final decision should rest with the Imperial tribunal. This distinction appears to be merely academic. It does not correspond with anything in the facts. A constitutional question as to the distribution of powers between Commonwealth and States may quite possibly concern other parts of the Empire, and another constitutional question, involving any point as to the distribution of powers, may quite possibly concern Australia alone. The ground upon which the convention went, in prohibiting appeals to the Privy Council, in any constitutional question, was that, if Australians were capable of framing a constitution for themselves, they were also capable of interpreting it. This may or may not be a sound argument. But whether it is sound or not, it is quite clear that if it is accepted, it involves the prohibition of appeals on all constitutional questions, and not only on one very limited class of such questions. This, again, is not a merely academic objection. It is obvious that serious confusion and inconvenience must sooner or later result from having one part of the Constitution—which, of course, is an organic whole, one part of which cannot be understood without reference to every other part—finally interpreted by one tribunal, while the final interpretation of another part is committed to another and an independent authority. The man who pays for confusion of this kind, it must be remembered, is always the litigant.

3.—PRACTICE AS TO GRANTING OF LEAVE TO APPEAL.

The third, and the most serious, defect in the existing system is the absence of any definite rule as to the granting of leave to appeal to the Privy Council in cases not falling within the "inter se" class.

It has already been explained that in constitutional cases of the "inter se" class, i.e., those involving a question as to the respective limits of Commonwealth and State powers, there is no appeal from the High Court to the Privy Council, unless the High Court allows one. In all other cases, whether involving a constitutional question or not, there is an appeal from the High Court to the Privy Council, but only by special leave of the Privy Council itself. The observations which follow are intended to show the inconvenience which arises from the absence of any definite rule or practice as to the class of cases in which this special leave will be granted. Under existing conditions no one can say beforehand with certainty whether any given case is one in which leave to appeal from the High Court to the Privy Council will be granted or not. This is owing to the express refusal of the Privy Council to lay down any principle or fix any regular course of practice on the subject.

The condition of things that existed before Federation has already been described. A litigant, speaking generally, knew that if his claim was for over £500 his opponent, if defeated, could take the case to the Privy Council as a matter of course. If the claim involved less than £500 he knew that, though possible, it was comparatively unlikely that any appeal would be allowed beyond the Supreme Court. We have changed all that. The unfortunate litigant begins his case, say, in the District Court. He wins it there. His opponent appeals to the Supreme Court, without success.

If the amount involved is over £300, the defeated party may appeal, as of right, to the High Court. If it is under £300, he may apply for special leave to appeal; and if his counsel is ingenious enough to discover any ground upon which the case can be said to involve a question of public interest, the leave will probably be granted. Our litigant is still successful before the High Court. But it must not be supposed that his troubles are necessarily over. His antagonist may apply to the Privy Council for leave to appeal from the High Court, and, if it is granted—and no one can say beforehand whether it will be granted or not—the plaintiff, who began his action in a District Court to recover a sum of, say, £100, may find the local decisions in his favour reversed, and an order made against him for all the costs of the whole of the three appeals. These, it need hardly be said, would very often absorb a good deal more than the amount originally in dispute.

It seems almost a platitude to say that this condition of things can hardly have been intended by the people who drew up the Constitution, or the electors who voted for it. It is impossible to suppose that the High Court was endowed with jurisdiction to hear appeals from the State Supreme Courts, merely for the purpose of adding another stage to the course of litigation. The writer of a very interesting article on the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, in the special Empire Day edition of the "Times," has observed this anomaly. "Australian appellants," he says, "complain that the situation is worse than it was; the existence of the Supreme Court (sic) of the Commonwealth may interpose a new stage in the long road between the first and final adjudication." At the same time, it cannot be disputed that the present practice is in perfect harmony with the words of the Constitution, which are clearly intended to grant a right of appeal from State Courts to the High Court, and to preserve the right of the Privy Council to grant leave to appeal from the High Court. The only explanation of this anomaly is that it was assumed by the Convention that the Privy Council would be very chary indeed in granting special leave of appeal from the High Court, and that definite rules would be laid down, specifying the classes of cases in which such leave would be granted. If this course had been adopted by the Privy Council a good deal of the force of the criticism now being levelled against the existing system would be gone. But it has not been adopted. To start with, the statements of the Privy Council as to the principles by which they are guided in considering applications for leave to appeal are anything but explicit. Secondly, so far as a definite rule can be gathered from these statements, the practice of the Privy Council, on applications for leave to appeal from the High Court, does not appear to harmonise with it. Third—and this point is involved with the point raised in the last paragraph—leave to appeal is being granted with ever-increasing frequency. These three points will be dealt with in the next article.

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY.

The following are the successful candidates in the examinations recently held:—

FACULTY OF ARTS.

First Year Examination.

Algebra.—Pass: Gertrude Andrew, G. P. Arnold, R. Bardon, Evangeline A. Burgis, E. H. Burgmann, W. G. Clark-Duff, Y. G. Cummings, C. H. Currey, A. A. Dean, Nellie De Low, C. B. Donaldson, Dorothy F. Dunlop, E. Eldridge, Kathleen W. Gale, Dorothy Goubert, I. L. Graham, W. J. Gray, Dora Grieve, F. S. Hughes, Marie F. Joseph, R. W. Lahey, Lilian Layh, M. C. I. Levy, Martha J. Lewis, H. S. Macneil, E. A. M'Tiernan, R. W. Meek, R. D. Mulhearn, W. J. Nolan, V. O'Regan, Cecily F. Packham, C. G. Page, Victoria L. Palassi, R. A. Patrick, Olga M. Pause, H. N. Petrie, Jessie L. Ridley, Ouvry J. Robinson, W. G. Rolfe, Ethel H. Stephenson, J. Stewart, C. Tanko, V. W. Thompson, Dorothy M. Voss, Constance E. White, D. Williams, Dorothy Wise, A. T. Woodriff.

Evening Students.—G. W. Clinch, E. F. Fischer, F. J. Gallagher, J. Gilbert, J. W. Greaves, G. E. Johns, S. G. Keys, E. F. Lacey, W. T. Landrey, H. Leaver, J. W. Mann, F. S. Montgomerie, A. L. Smith, E. J. Williamson.

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION.

ARTS, SCIENCE, AND ENGINEERING.

Mathematics.—Passed: Miss J. Beith (arts), G. A. Bourne (engineering), W. B. Brown (science), F. J. Calvert (eng.), H. F. Coken (eng.), L. Corbett (eng.), F. W. Cotton (sci.), J. Cowan (eng.), S. Cummins (eng.), C. Deane (eng.), T. H. M. De Burgh (eng.), Miss C. Docker (arts), J. W. Dowell (eng.), R. G. Fry (eng.), Miss E. Gasteen (sci.), A. P. Grant (arts), G. E. Hall (sci.), F. H. Hebblewhite (eng.), H. C. Hogg (sci.), R. B. Hinder (eng.), Miss M. F. Joseph (arts), L. B. Lehmaier (eng.), M. C. I. Levy (arts), Miss J. M. G. Lillingston (arts), M. Maxwell (eng.), R. D. Milvey (arts), H. T. Parker (arts), S. E. Peirce (sci.), C. A. Pennefather (eng.), F. Potter (arts), A. J. Robson (sci.), W. H. Roper (eng.), T. Sheehy (arts), R. G. Smith (eng.), H. B. Taylor (sci.), Miss J. E. M. Tebbutt (arts), H. C. Watt (eng.).

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION.

ARTS, SCIENCE, AND ENGINEERING.

Mathematics.—Passed: W. R. Brown (arts), C. W. Bridge (engineering), Miss Marion A. Connell (arts), C. Dennis (engineering), J. England (engineering), Miss R. Mallett (arts), Gladys E. Markell (arts), L. M. Roberts (engineering), H. A. Rorke (engineering), Miss Catherine D. Smith (science), E. P. Taylor (science), W. F. Vincent (engineering), H. F. Webster (arts).

FACULTY OF LAW.

Final LL.B. Deferred Examination.—Passed: A. W. Ralston, B.A.

SECOND DEGREE EXAMINATION.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE.

Pass with high distinction: L. A. R. Wallace. Pass with distinction: R. H. Bridge. Pass with credit: W. E. Ash, A. S. Morris, E. A. S. Tivey, equal; J. F. T. Tansey; T. J. Frizell, F. C. Thompson, equal; A. W. Scot-Skirving, A. T. Chapple, T. M. Furber, F. A. Maguire; H. B. Hodgkinson, A. B. Metcalfe, equal; W. A. Inglis, M. F. Smith, equal. Pass (alphabetical): A. M. Aspinall, F. Blaxland, E. Brettingham Moore, N. P. Boulton, R. M'D. Bowman, A. J. F. Chapman, H. Chamberlain, L. Dansaert, C. F. Donaldson, W. M. A. Fletcher, C. W. Fowler, A. J. Gibson, J. D. R. Herlihy, L. B. Hughes, J. A. James, Enid C. Macdonald, R. M'Donnell, F. L. Macqueen, G. W. Mason, J. C. Mullins, C. H. Northcott, Elise V. Pascoe, C. R. A. Pye, F. H. Sabiel, C. H. Shearman, K. F. Vickery, C. C. P. Walker, B.A.

Third Degree Examination.

Pass with high distinction: B. J. M. Harrison. Pass with distinction: E. T. Edye, A. M. Mcintosh, B.A., R. K. Ward, R. E. Bear, A. R. Walker, I., M. Barrow, B.A. Pass with credit: A. J. Newton; C. J. Davis, A. L. Edwards, B.A. (Lond.); W. Martin, B.A.; H. Clayton, W. G. Shelsher, A. W. a Court Holmes, G. W. Macartney. Pass (alphabetical): C. G. Berge, F. R. Booth, H. T. Bourne, J. S. Bruce, W. B. Clippleton, H. C. Curtis, M. Fitzgerald, Edith E. Fox, H. G. Humphries, G. M. Hunt, S. E. Jones, J. P. Kenny, J. G. Lenstagne, Elaine M. Little, N. W. Markwell, G. Norrie, H. N. Nowland, T. F. Parker, S. W. Pitt, F. G. Rockley, N. K. Robertson, T. A. Sherwin, E. G. Thomson, H. J. Waddell, S. H. Weedon, F. C. Wooster.

DEPARTMENT OF DENTISTRY.

Second Year Examination.

Anatomy and Dental Anatomy.—Pass: F. B. Christiansen, W. McMaster, A. F. Sutton.

Third Year Examination.

Pass with credit: R. B. Bush, K. R. Boulton. Pass: A. Douglass.

Fourth Year Examination.

Pass: W. E. Byers, E. V. Hawkins, C. D. Logan, H. E. Noble, W. J. Taylor, F. W. Traill, J. A. R. Walker.

DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY.

Chemistry (Metals).—Pass with distinction: M. S. Clarke, G. H. Kennedy, Emma L. A. Reye. Pass (alphabetical): P. J. Bailey, C. Newcombe, J. V. Phillips, J. E. Sherman.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING.

Civil Engineering.

Third Year Examination.

Spherical Trigonometry.—Pass: A. G. Maclean, H. H. L. Massie.

MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING.

Fourth Year Deferred Examination.

Pass: G. C. Clift, S. Dennis, J. M. Hudson.

THE SOUTH COAST ROAD.

A request to widen Cook's River-road to a width of 66ft from Campbell-street, St. Peters, to Cook's River dam was made to the Minister for Public Works yesterday by a deputation representing the municipalities in proximity to the road. Messrs. M'Coy and Page, M.L.A., introduced the deputation, and amongst the speakers were Aldermen Baker (Mayor of St. Peters), Broe (Mayor of Rockdale), Morgan (Mayor of Newtown), Griffin (Mayor of Botany), Councillor Judd (president Sutherland Shire), and Messrs. Farleigh, M.L.C., Pallick, Taylor, Hollis, and Downes, M.L.A.

It was stated that this part of the road was a mile and a half long, and was 33ft wide in places, and in others 28ft. It was the only means of getting from Sydney to the South Coast, and was scarcely wide enough to carry the single tramway line which already existed. In one day 3500 vehicles had been counted travelling past one spot on the road. St. Peters Council had spent £805 in widening 11½ chains, and the council was willing, if the Government would make the necessary resumptions, the estimated cost of which was £25,000, to widen the road and re-kerb and maintain it. The cost to the council would be about £9000.

Mr. Lee said he was satisfied that the proposal was one of the urgent works among those recommended by the Royal Commission which had reported on the streets and roads of Sydney, and he was prepared, when the Government was considering the commission's report, to sustain that opinion. In his judgment the Cook's River-road should be the first main road to be dealt with. He would place those views before the Government.

INSPECTION OF LIGHTHOUSES.

DEPARTURE OF THE CAPTAIN COOK.

Captain Alexander Hacking, the Acting Superintendent of Navigation, left Sydney yesterday in the pilot steamer Captain Cook to make the annual inspection of lighthouses and pilot stations along the coast. He is accompanied by Mr. James Shirra (chief engineer surveyor to the Department of Navigation), and Mr. Ford, the assistant engineer.

The Captain Cook, which cleared the Heads at 8.30 p.m., will touch at Seal Rocks this morning, and from there will proceed northwards, calling at the various lighthouses. The stations on the south coast will be subsequently inspected.

Captain Hacking stated yesterday that he expected to be away from Sydney for about a fortnight, but that the trip would be prolonged if adverse weather conditions were experienced. In all about 40 lighthouses and pilot stations are to be visited.

There is nothing else "just as good" as NESTLE'S MILK.—Advt.

For Children's Hacking Cough at night, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1/6.—Advt.

The Agricultural and Pastoral Notes in this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail" deal with important subjects.—Advt.

The Gunnedah and Wagga shows are illustrated and described in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The scratchings recorded at the office of the A.J.C. yesterday were:—Mid East, Wyeallia, Burns, Rice Hill, Maltster's Daughter, Lady Addie, Mischief, Brasseur, Maura, Port Logan, Highland Mary filly, Kirksteen filly, St. Elyn filly, and Tradewind filly out of the Derby; Marvel Queen, Vaporise, La Patrie, Haco, and Bobrikoff out of the Epsom Handicap; Salvadora, Marvel Queen, Vaporise, Buckie, Porch, Haco, Bobrikoff, and Downfall out of the Metropolitan; Gawong, Bonia, Blue Point, Legatum, and Brymedma out of the Breeders' Plate and Gimcrack Stakes; Luxury colt and Chlorine colt out of the Breeders' Plate; and Tradewind filly out of the St. Leger Stakes, 1910.

Silena out of the Stewards' Mile, The Dip out of the Hurdle Race, Relah and Parmerose out of the Moorefield Handicap, and Mirrooral out of the Flying Welter were the withdrawals notified yesterday in connection with the Moorefield September meeting.

The old-time sportsman Mr. John Cleeland, who, in the "sixties" and seventies" was "mine host" of the Albion Hotel, Bourke-street, Melbourne, is reported to be still hale and hearty at the advanced age of 84 years, and was among the visitors to the southern city during Show week. Mr. Cleeland was for many years actively associated with the turf, and had his first important victory in 1868, when Shenandoah credited him with the Australian Cup; but his greatest success was credited in 1875, when Wollomai carried his colours to the front in the Melbourne Cup. In the early "eighties" Mr. Cleeland retired from public business, and also from active participation in turf pursuits, and settled down to pastoral life in Phillip Island, where he breeds horses, mostly for the Indian market, on his estate near Cape Wollomai.

The ex-New Zealander, Master Soult, who has forfeited his Melbourne Cup engagement, is a regular performer on the track, and he is reported to be looking well, and, to all appearance, perfectly sound.

A fair number of entries have been received (writes our local correspondent) for the Denman amateur races on Saturday.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

VAVASOR AND KING'S CROSS SHAPE WELL.

Bright, warm, spring weather prevailed at Randwick yesterday morning, and the outer half of the course proper, which was in excellent order for fast work, though not favourable to the watch, was in use. A large amount of work was got through, and unusual interest was centred in the New Zealand horse Aborigine, who, ridden by McLachlan, and carrying bar shoes, was galloped a mile in the presence of Mr. R. G. Baldock, who was accompanied by Aborigine's late owner, Mr. Watt, and Mr. G. P. Donnelly, from New Zealand. Aborigine ran the first two furlongs of his journey under 25s, the first half-mile in 53s, and the full trip in 1m 48s. The New Zealand Derby colt Provocation was not out. He is undergoing a course of physic, and may not be seen on the track till next week.

The most attractive gallop of the morning was put up by Vavasor and King's Cross, who defeated Golden City and Amatt over a mile in 1m 47s. For the first six furlongs King's Cross was in front of the hunt, and apparently beaten, but he put in some great work over the last two furlongs. Barsee and Orcus were bracketed for a mile gallop in the presence of the latter's owner, Mr. H. R. Denison, and at the end of a mile, run in 1m 45½s, Barsee was a long way in front of his mate, and going easily. Hyplay, Potosi, and Balgowan rattled over a mile together in 1m 49s, a distance which Ambassador travelled in 1m 48s, while Outbreak and Wood King were a second slower over the distance.

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MINING.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Despite the fact that the price of lead shows no disposition to move off the £12/12/6 mark—as private cables indicate—the market continued extremely buoyant and active yesterday morning, with the result that a considerable amount of business was recorded at firm prices. A drop of 2/6 in the price of copper, and apparently an easier tone on the London Stock Exchange, appeared to have a quietening effect upon the local market, for the volume of business in the morning was not so large as on the previous day, whilst in some cases the trend of prices was downwards. This, however, may be said to have been discounted by improved sales in other directions, accompanied by fairly steady quotations in a number of instances. Gold scrip furnished a few transactions, whilst in the tin section Tongkah Harbour Tin fluctuated a little on a slightly higher plane than on the previous day.

In the case of silver shares the nature of the buying demand may be judged by the fact that, notwithstanding the advances of the two previous days, B.H. Souths, paid, moved from £5/8/ to £5/12/6; B.H. South, contg., from £5/6/ to £5/7/6; British (old) from 22/6 to 23/; British (new) to the same price; B.H. Proprietary from 39/3 to 39/6; B.H. Block 14, from 11/4½ to 12/; B.H. Junction North pref., from 17/6 to 18/; and B.H. Junction from 7/4 to 7/5, with B.H. South Extended, contg., unchanged at 3/8.

As regards copper shares, Mount Morgans moved from 72/6 to 73/6; Queen Bee was unchanged at 5/3; Tolwong Minerals dropped from 22/ to 19/, and sold on six weeks' terms at 18/; Chillagoe, contg., firmed a fraction; Kyloe Copper, contg., held firm at 17/3, whilst Kangiara Proprietary recovered from 4/ to 4/3.

The most noticeable transactions in gold scrip was booked in Gold Hill shares, which were exchanged at advanced rates on the strength of an exhibit in the vestibule of the Stock Exchange of rich ore from the reef recently cut in the mine. Sandstone Development held firmly.

The afternoon saw a slight falling off in business in copper shares, but with firm sales booked in Great Fitzroy, Hampdens, Chillagoe, contg., and Kangiara Proprietary, paid. Silver shares were again in good demand, though the upward movement in some cases was arrested, especially in regard to B.H. Souths. The tone of the market, however, was firm up to the close. The announcement that the battery of the Sandstone started on Wednesday afternoon, and that everything was working smoothly, had a fine effect of strengthening the shares. Tongkah Harbour Tin weakened.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

COPPER.	Buyers. £ s d	Sellers. £ s d
Agnes River	—	0 6 0
Chillagoe, contributing	0 4 6	0 4 9
Great Fitzroy	0 13 0	0 13 6
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 10 10½	0 11 0
Kyloe Mines	1 0 0	—
Mt. Morgan, contributing	1 7 0	1 8 0
Nymagee North, contg.	—	0 1 0
Nymagee Proprietary	0 4 3	0 4 4
Tolwong, contributing	—	0 2 3
Tongkah	0 17 0	0 17 6
Tongkah, preference	0 19 3	0 19 6
Tongkah Copper	0 2 3	0 2 6
Tyalla Mines	—	0 5 6
Wallaroo-Cloncurry, paid	0 3 8	0 3 10
Wallaroo Elliott	3 10 0	3 11 6
Wallaroo Molloy	0 4 3	—
Wallaroo, preference	0 3 0	—
Wallaroo (Chillagoe)	0 2 6	0 2 9
Wallaroo Tin	0 5 2	—
Wallaroo Tin Bee	2 0 3	2 1 0
Wallaroo and Moonta	2 0 3	2 1 0
TIN.		
Aberfoyle	0 1 4	0 1 5
Bamawarra Hills	—	0 1 11
Bamboo Creek contributing	0 4 8	—
Bamboo Creek, preference	0 3 6	—
Bamboo Creek, contributing	0 1 7	0 2 3
Bischoff	0 2 0	0 2 6
Brothers	0 5 2	—
Brothers, preference	0 3 0	—
Brothers (Chillagoe)	0 3 0	0 3 3
Bute Inlet	0 5 2	—
Cleveland	2 0 3	2 1 0
Dundas	—	—
Dunsany Hills	0 1 4	0 1 5
Eldorado	—	0 1 11
Eldorado, contributing	0 4 8	—
Emu Bay	0 2 10	0 2 0
Emu Bay, preference	—	—
Emu Bay, contributing	0 2 10	0 2 0
Grassmere	—	—
Grassmere, preference	—	—
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FUNERALS.

CARDWELL.—The Friends and Relatives of the late Mrs. JOHN CARDWELL are respectfully invited to attend her Funeral; to leave 38 Albion-street, Annandale, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.15, for Rookwood, via the Mortuary.
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CARDWELL.—The Friends and Relatives of JOHN, WILLIAM, and ELSIE CARDWELL, also Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL KEATING, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved MOTHER, Kate; to leave 38 Albion-street, Annandale, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.15, for Rookwood, via Mortuary.

CARDWELL.—The Friends of Mrs. RILEY and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly loved SISTER and their AUNT, Kate Cardwell; to leave 38 Albion-street, Annandale, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.15, for Rookwood, via Mortuary.

CARDWELL.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. HENRY CARDWELL and Miss MARIE CARDWELL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER-IN-LAW, Mrs. John Cardwell; to move from her late residence, Albion-street, North Annandale, at 1.15 p.m., for Necropolis.

THE Friends of Mrs. BRADBURY and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SISTER and AUNTIE; to move from her residence, 28 Albion-street, Annandale, at quarter-past 1 THIS DAY.

COLERAINE.—The Funeral of the late Miss JANE COLERAINE will leave the Home of Peace, Addison-road, Marrickville, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, 1.45, for Waverley Cemetery.
R. W. THOMAS, Undertaker,
44 York-street.

COLLINS.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. ELIZABETH MARY COLLINS will leave her daughter's residence, 184 Cornwallis-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 8.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.
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HART.—The Friends of the late Mrs. MARY H. HART will leave St. Mark's R.C. Church, Drummoyne, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Field of Mars Cemetery.
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HART.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES HART and FAMILY, of Thompson-street, Drummoyne, are invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER-IN-LAW and AUNT, Mary Hart; to leave St. Mark's R.C. Church, Tranmere-street, at 2.30, for Field of Mars Cemetery.

HUGHES.—The Funeral of the late Miss SARAH EMILY ANNETTA HUGHES will leave her mother's residence, Moreton Park, Douglass Park, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock, for the family vault, St. John's Cemetery, Camden.
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MARTIN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ERNEST and MARTIN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly-loved DAUGHTER, Alice Thomas; to move from 17 Greek-street, Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.
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PEACOCK.—The Friends of the late Mrs. KATE PEACOCK, relict of the late William H. Peacock, are kindly invited to attend her Funeral, which will leave her late residence, 84 George-street, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood.
JOSEPH MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

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Undertaker, Redfern.

SAMS.—The Friends of Master HAROLD CHOY SAMS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved FATHER, Choy Sams; to leave our Funeral Parlours, 81 Oxford-street, Paddington (foot of Barrack), THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery.
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SARTORIUS.—The Friends of Mr. EDWARD SARTORIUS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly-beloved WIFE, Mary Hannah; to move from his residence, 63 Station-street, Petersham, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Baptist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Petersham station.
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SHARP.—The Friends of Mrs. M. SHARP are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, John Sharp (Paddington), which will leave his son-in-law's residence, Skeet Hill, Ryde, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for the Church of England Cemetery, Field of Mars.
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